DEKALB
OBITUARY
AUBURN
1998
A12

8/2007

ECKHART PUBLIC LIBRARY
603 S. Jackson St.
Auburn, IN 46706

R 929.3
OBI
(genealogy)

OBITUARY LISTING
FROM
THE EVENING STAR

January 1,1998 through December 31,1998

Compiled by: Eckhart Public Library
Auburn, Indiana

OBITUARIES
EVENING STAR, 1998

Last	First	Middle	page #
Abbott	Richard	H.	77
Adair	Ronald	S.	198
Adair	William	F. "Fred"	228
Adams	Edward	Louis	30
Adams	Lillian	M.	98
Adams	Junior	A. "Bud"	304
Addis	Mildred	E.	208
Aden	Erlene	Ann	272
Alexander	Edith	L.	206
Alguire	Dorothy	B.	167
Allen	Walter	E.	111
Alleshouse	Ida	Arlene	53
Alleshouse	Sylvia	V.	252
Altimus	Willie	T.	208
Anderson	Kay	M.	376
Angel	William	E.	278
Anweiler	James	E.	39
Armstrong	Harriet	Sue	99
Armstrong	Delvin	K.	302
Arnold	Roger	D.	13
Arnold	Beulah	J.	230
Arnold	Beulah	J.	231
Arnold	Ida	Mae	309
Arnold	Barton		310
Arnold	Betty	J.	370
Arnos	Gary	W.	234
Aschleman	Bonnie		270
Aspel	Charlotte	R.	17
Aspel	Charlotte	R.	19
Ault	Guy	F.	209
Austin	Allen		208
Bacon	Sharon	T.	113
Badorek	Zella	Lucille	277
Bailey	Virginia	L.	332
Baker	Harold		14
Baker	Thomas	W. "Tom"	43
Baker	Thomas	W. "Tom"	45
Baker	Joseph	William	64
Baker	Kenneth	H.	93
Baker	Rex	E.	102
Baker	Alma	D.	326
Baker	Charles	Kenneth "Kenny"	343

Baldwin	James	P.	175
Ball	Marjorie	E.	184
Ball	Larry	C.	322
Ball	Larry	C.	323
Ball	Carol	J.	395
Baltzell	Robert	J.	96
Bandt	Loretta		155
Bandy	Fred		352
Bard	Howard	O.	50
Barker	Frances	"Irene"	269
Barnes	Bidwell	A. "Bill"	71
Barnett	Albert		332
Barnett	Richard	H.	355
Barnett	Richard	H.	356
Barnhart	Mary	Jean	354
Barnum	Leonard	W.	369
Barrett	Charles	E.	72
Barron	James	Robertson	146
Bartels	Kate	G. "Kitty"	184
Barth	Dawn	Rene	65
Barth	Ida	EmmaJean "Jean"	321
Bartlett	Helen	Rimmel	356
Barton	Douglas	A.	263
Bass	Heather	R.	228
Bassett	Arthur	"Art"	275
Bassett Sr.	Thomas	Aden	303
Bassett Sr.	Thomas	Aden	308
Bauermeister	Ginne	D.	90
Baugh	Warren	H.	294
Baumgardner	Esther	M.	260
Baysinger	Helen		383
Beard	Howard	E.	257
Beatty	Scott	O.	246
Beaty	Minnie		112
Beaty	Myrtle	M.	370
Beckenhauer	Jay	G.	402
Becker	Mary	E.	371
Bedford	Chloe	Mildred	65
Beeching	Josephine	Dean	99
Beeching	Josephine	Dean	102
Beedle	William	C.	355
Belcher	Rosie	Z.	48
Bell	J.	Wendell	273
Bell	Mark	Ryan	285
Bender	Earlena	H.	113
Benner	Gale	Willard	111
Bennett	Keanna	Leshea	260
Berkes	Thaddeus	A.	254
Berkes	Robert	D.	272
Berry	Lelia	Fay	176

Bertsch	Helen	G.	158
Best	Howard	W.	96
Bevington	Eugene	L.	94
Bice	Earl	L.	311
Bidwell	Flossie		244
Bidwell	Flossie	E.	247
Biedrzycki	John	R.	199
Biggs	Verna	M.	48
Billman	Laura	Berdena	364
Bishop	Earl		56
Bishop	Earl		57
Bissell	Roy	Elmer	87
Bitner	Herschel	L.	73
Black	Robert	L.	364
Blackshire	Benjamin	F.	276
Blair	George	Wilson	201
Blanchard	Eleanor	Beard	300
Blickenstaff	Luther	B.	152
Blickenstaff	Richard	D. "Denny"	370
Bloemker	Ted	Norman	224
Blosser	Russell		168
Blotkamp	Harold	E.	315
Boals	Ethel	S.	277
Bobay	Raymond	F..	102
Bobay	Inez	V.	317
Bodenhafer	Rex	R.	346
Boehme	Eugene	Alvin	313
Boger	Gloria	Jane	127
Boger	Gloria	Jane	129
Boggs	Charles	E. "Chuck"	62
Bogner	Dorothy	I.	334
Bohling	Ruth	Geraldine	35
Bohnenberger	Erma	L.	382
Bohrer	John	H.	100
Bolding	Melissa	Mae	308
Bolen	Bernis		189
Bolen	Don	R.	313
Boling	Audrey	M.	45
Bonar	Edith		44
Bontrager	Mary		261
Boon	Stephanie	L. "Stevie"	226
Boon	Estelle	F.	279
Bosworth	Ferne	A.	105
Boszor	Catherine	L.	50
Bowerman	George	D.	373
Bowers	Katheryn	Louise	390
Bowie	Emmett	G.	250
Bowling	Clara	B.	249
Bowman	Joseph	E.	240
Bowman	Joseph	E.	242

Bowser	Theodore	M.	207
Boyer	Donald	M.	1
Boyer	Amy	Irene	39
Bradford	Irma	I.	204
Bradigan	Genevieve	L.	212
Bradley	Carol	L.	104
Brady	Kathryn	L.	393
Brady Jr.	James		345
Brand	Ida	Mae	383
Brandon	Ruth	E.	172
Bressler	Barbara	JoAnn	207
Brewer Jr.	John	W.	26
Bridegan Sr.	Charles	E. "Pinky"	254
Broadwater	Velma	F.	198
Brockman	Ruth	E. (Coulter)	385
Brokaw	Robert	B.	42
Brookes	Hillis	C.	5
Brown	Charles	T.	21
Brown	Theodore	Herman	62
Brown	Theodore	Herman	66
Brown	James	N. "Brownie"	359
Brumbaugh	Olivia	Marie	168
Brunger	Valerie	J.	10
Brunner.	Opal	Irene	44
Brunner	Richard	Allen	202
Brunner	Lucille	Berniece	404
Bruns	Lois	J.	11
Bryan	Dr. Robert	E.	59
Bryan Jr.	Robert	C.	152
Bryan Jr.	Robert	C.	156
Bucher	Lorenzo	M. "Pete"	269
Buell	Forrest	F.	75
Bunn	Edward	E.	1
Burgess	Harry	E.	128
Burhenn	Charles	B.	392
Burkhalter	Phyllis	N.	320
Burkhart	John	C.	23
Burkhart	John	C.	26
Burniston	Matilda	A. "Till"	134
Busse	Stella		126
Butler	Joseph	H. "Joe"	127
Butz	Verlo	R.	228
Byrd	A.R.V.		78
Caldwell	June		171
Caldwell	Dale	K.	324
Calkins	Annie	M.	243
Call	Kermit	R.	30
Cameron	George	A. "Bert"	246
Camp	Wilma	J.	402

Campbell	Claude		42
Campbell	Blanche	W.	67
Campbell	Grover	A.	138
Campbell	Phyllis	L.	268
Campbell	Miriam	I.	317
Campbell	Clarence	"Clare"	381
Campbell	Thomas	J.	390
Capp	Charles	W.	298
Carnahan	Clifford	C.	105
Carnahan	Betty	L.	139
Carper	Thelma	B.	241
Carper	Chalmer	L.	253
Carr	Edward	E.	277
Carson	Alma	Rose	285
Carson	Eleanor		404
Cart	Mildred	Jean	339
Carter	George	W.	48
Caruso	John	F.	227
Case	Phyllis	K.	201
Case	Christine	A.	354
Castetter	Donald	"Doc"	109
Caudill	Minnie	M.	193
Caupp	M.	Fay	227
Cearbaugh	Dick	D.	349
Champion	Victor	R.	319
Chapin	Margaret	Rosalie	79
Chapin	Hugh	E.	354
Charleswood	Robert	B.	222
Charlesworth	David	P.	221
Cheshier	Torrence	K. "Tony"	105
Chester	Carl	E.	120
Chidester	John	J.	162
Childs	Anna	Louise	214
Chorpenning	Chad	Eric	197
Christlieb	Tad	J.	396
Church	Pearl	A.	181
Clabaugh	Mary	A.	196
Clark	Annabelle		30
Clark	Vasta	M.	70
Clark	Angie		125
Clark	Agatha	A.	136
Clark	Harold	Lyle	192
Clark	Delbert	A.	322
Clark	Albert	E.	390
Clark	Marcella	J.	402
Clemans	Dorothy	J.	145
Clemans	Dorothy	J.	147
Cleveland	Jasmine	Jean	130
Clifford	Ellen	(Brazzell)	94
Clouse	Marion	L.	179

Clouse	Marion	L.	180
Clouse	Delores	M.	360
Clugston	Mary	Jane Cotterly	139
Clugston	Mary	Jane Cotterly	143
Cluster	Janet	S.	15
Cluster	Callie	V.	140
Cluster	Callie	V.	141
Cobb	Earl	J.	63
Cobb Sr.	Darwin	E.	223
Coburn	Cecil	J.	233
Coburn	Minnie		364
Cochran	Alberta		238
Colacuori	Myrtle	Elizabeth	80
Coleman	William	A.	133
Coleman	Tonya	L.	296
Colgan	Betty	R.	322
Collins	Mary	Joanne	72
Collins	Della		137
Collins	Rodolph		288
Collins	Tina	Lee	322
Collins	Arthur	Stanley	384
Combs	Patricia	L.	82
Combs	Patricia	L.	83
Condon	Mary	Jane	16
Condon	Mary	Jane	172
Conine	Mervin	V.	151
Conine	Howard	L.	344
Conine	Glenis	N.	394
Conley	Bennie		327
Conn	Hatler		49
Cook	Vincent	S.	197
Cook	Reginald	D. "Reg"	316
Cook	Kenneth	W.	374
Cook	Donald	E.	407
Cool	Helen	M.	93
Cooper	Kyle	H.	101
Cooper	Norman	C. "Bud"	267
Cope	Steven	P.	153
Cope	Robert	M.	173
Cope Sr.	Steven	P.	155
Corry	Loraine	E.	92
Corry	Loraine	E.	93
Couey	Martha	E.	121
Courtney	Robert	C.	41
Courtney	Robert	C.	46
Courtney	Ben		374
Cowan	Jean	Eversman	304
Coyle	Mary	L.	357
Coyne	Kenneth	R.	115
Crace	Kenneth	C.	396

Craft	Dina	Starr Girod	261
Crager	Katrina	Kayla	59
Crager	Geneva	Parker	290
Crager	Estill		341
Craig	Mary	K.	175
Crawford	Phyllis		166
Creech	Russell		364
Cress	Ruth	E.	20
Cripe	June	E.	258
Crooks	Nora	M.	191
Cross	E.	Jean	113
Crossley	Larry	E.	360
Crouse	Leda	D.	22
Crull	Elizabeth	Edna	8
Crumley	Janet	R.	400
Culver	Dorothy	B.	293
Culver	Tim	D.	357
Cummings	A.	Kathern	261
Curtis	Brandilynn	Michelle	160
Curtis	Flora	"Pat"	266
Cusick	James	J.	221
Cusick	James		222
Custer	Rosalie	G. "Smitty"	309
Czaja	Agnes	Louise	253
Dahman	Helena	A.	186
Damer	Roger	D.	249
Daniel	Thelma	Strouse	19
Daugherty	Herschel	C.	19
Daugherty	Kathleen		39
Davidson	Joseph	D.	40
Davis	Ruby	Ethelyn	140
Davis	Polly		218
Davis	Vernon	Jay	242
Davis	Donlyn	K.	279
Davis	Christopher	W.	280
Davis	Aleen	R.	283
Davis	Loretta	B.	357
Dawson	Wilma	M.	6
Deal	Arthur	E.	403
Deaton	Charles	L.	212
Deel	Ethel	R.	192
Deem	David	L.	375
Deems	Florence	I.	384
DeGraw	Alexus	Marie	120
Deihl	Carl	E.	368
DeLancey	Oakley		18
DePew	Irene	J.	321
DePew	Mae	I.	353
DePriest	Fern	R.	349

Derbyshire	Garland	G. "Bud"	152
Derrow	Guy	Edward	64
Derrow	Howard	F.	226
Derrow	Chester	C.	283
Deuitch	Richard	H.	187
Deuter	David	Anthony	225
DeVore	J.	Marie	154
DeWeese	Evelyn		260
DeWitt	Delvia	V.	75
DeWitt	Merton	"Mutt"	397
DeWitt	Merton	"Mutt"	399
Dickson	Norma	J.	288
Diller	George	J.	305
Dirrim	Wayne	Otis	271
Dirrim	Wayne	Otis	272
Ditmars	Evelyn	Ida	277
Dobson	Leonard		25
Dobson	Leonard		28
Dold	Nancy	J.	329
Domas	Helen	Dicks	178
Donat	Bill		292
Donat	Richard	E.	339
Doty	Lucille	I.	66
Douglas	Wayne		134
Due	Gladys	R.	363
Dues	Flora	Mae "Hedy"	83
Duesler	Thomas	Wayne	57
Dull	Leonore	Lee	266
Dunakin	George	E.	162
Durant	Amy		179
Dutterer	Joseph	A. "Joe"	2
Dyer	Sammie	D.	307
Easley	Richard	Erwin	221
Easterday	Betty		199
Ebaugh	Cleland	R.	28
Eberley Jr.	Ward	T.	107
Eberly	Philip	D.	203
Eckert	Irene		296
Edsall	Donald	I.	261
Eicher	Peggy	Joan	380
Eis	Guadalupe		280
Ellison	Phillip	E.	312
Elser	Fay		274
Emerick	Belle	I.	58
Emerick	Susie	K.	136
Emerson	Richard	D.	158
Engle	Ivan	A.	232
Engle	Gary	D.	342
Engleking	Norma	Karyl (Jones)	76

English	Ruth	V.	283
English	Sandra		345
Ensley	Esther	O.	279
Ernst	David	J.	401
Ervin	Howard	H.	142
Essenberg	Jerold	P. "Jud"	51
Evans	John	W.	59
Evans	John	W.	61
Everage	Mitchell	L.	160
Everetts	Andrew	B.	330
Ewbank	Helen	Louise	59
Ewell	Mary	"Lorene"	185
Farmer	Karen	E. "Katie"	179
Farrell	Pauline	E.	180
Farris	Francis	A.	355
Faulkner	Ailene	Marilyn	264
Fausnaugh	The Rev. Bernard	A.	160
Faust	Harry	J.	370
Favory	Selma	A.	395
Fee	Agnes	Roberta	11
Fee	Maynard	F.	358
Felger	LaVon	I.	171
Felix	Chance	J.	99
Fenker	Helen	O.	346
Ferguson	Gwenda	L.	36
Ferguson	Floyd		146
Fetters	Rose	Marie (Cool)	348
Field	Marjorie	N.	398
Fifer	Robert	C.	200
Fifer	Mildred	O.	271
Fike	Corrine	T.	331
Firestone	Lawrence	L.	381
Fisher	Edwin		6
Fisher	Robin	Allman	245
Fisher	Lena	L.	380
Flassig	Kathlyn	E.	342
Fletcher	Georgianne	D. "Georgie"	336
Foor	Mac	F.	210
Foote	Helen	B.	371
Forbes	Leonard	Smith "Jimmy"	298
Forbing	William	G.	146
Ford	Darrel	R. "Shorty"	258
Ford	John		350
Fordeck	Betty	L.	158
Forker	Florence		9
Forker	Florence		16
Forrester	John	Scott	342
Fosnaugh	Carl	Walter	139
Foss	Pauline	L.	29

Foster	Beaulah	Kay	51
Foster	Dorothy	June	157
Foster	Robert	I.	234
Foster	Robert	E.	287
Foster	Jeanette		369
Fox	Reed	Frysinger	27
Frain	Edna	L.	239
Francis	George	Thomas	64
Franklin	Mickie	L.	41
Franklin	Helen	M.	71
Franklin	Cecilia	A.	309
Franklin	Robert	Neal	392
Franks	Mildred	I.	237
Franks Jr.	Charles	E.	164
Franzman	Beverly	J.	22
Franzman	Elmer	J.	71
Franzman	Elmer	J.	73
Fravel	Vincent	G.	6
Frederick	Trevor	S.	323
Fredrick	Stanley	A.	55
Freeland	Earl	R.	187
Freeman	Elsie	K.	32
Freeze	Marvelle	M.	354
Friedel	Martha	"Jeannie"	403
Frieden	Helen		35
Frisby	Homer		337
Frost	Randy	A.	318
Fry	Laura	Anna	101
Fry	Donna	I.	230
Frye	Patricia	Jane	281
Fuess	Robert	H.	319
Fugate	Mary	E.	72
Fulford	Gloria	M.	387
Fulk	Paul	E.	56
Fulk	Donna	Jean	299
Fuller	Gerald	Lee	24
Fuller	Hyacinth	Lillian	55
Fuller	Thomas	Lynn	353
Furnish	Bertha		372
Gaier	William	G.	196
Gaietto	Margaret	M.	96
Gall	Diane	Kay	44
Gallmeyer	Agnes	M.	376
Gard	Betty	Jean	54
Gard	Dr. Marvin		140
Garlets	Charles	J.	271
Garner	Peter	C.	320
Garrison	Marion	"Gary"	115
Garza	Esperanza	Hope	174

Gasaway	W.R.	"Ray"	11
Gasper	William	D.	235
Gaston	Gerald	E.	277
Geeraedts	Hans		118
Geiger	Mary	G.	40
Geiger	Forest	A.	179
Geiger	Fred	L.	216
Geiger	Fred	L.	217
Geiger	Robert	C.L.	355
Geller	Mary Helena	(Hursey) Maggart	198
Gerard	Harold	L.	238
Gerhart	Orla	W.	219
Germain	Richard	F.	303
German	Kent		281
German	Milo	Kent	282
Gessinger	Leora	I.	263
Gettys	Cecil	Thomas	16
Gibson	Walter	J.	128
Giggy	Keith	M.	354
Gilbert	Wilma	Pauline	373
Gillespie	Z.	Florence	99
Gilliom	Estella	M.	78
Gilliom	Estella	M.	80
Ginther	James	E.	314
Gipple	Nichole	Lynn	190
Glasford	Irene	C.	389
Glessler	Esther	Marie	324
Goble	Margery	E.	135
Goebel	Mary	Maxine	403
Golden	Martha		156
Gordon	Patrick	Allen	193
Gordon	Zoa		264
Gordon	John	F.	281
Gotshall	Jean	D.	223
Goudy	Mary	Ruth	355
Graber	Henry	F.	224
Grabill	Pauline	Heher	171
Grabill	Donna	L.	333
Grabill	Donna	L.	334
Gradeless	Martha	E.	145
Graham	Richard	P.	329
Graham	Richard	P.	332
Grant	Thora	W.	205
Gray	Wanda	M.	49
Gray	George	G.	233
Gray	George	G.	278
Gray	Shannon	Wayne	367
Grear	Budd		72
Green	Norman	L.	359
Greenawalt	Dana	G.	85

Greene	Arlene	M.	380
Greenwood	Walter	L.	159
Grim	Wayne	R.	234
Grosh	Mary	Pearl	131
Grosh	Mary	Pearl	135
Gross	Herbert	L.	138
Gross	Herbert	L.	139
Grossman	Marjorie	A.	33
Grossman	Leona	Mae	50
Growcock	Donna	Mae	326
Guiff	Fred	A.	271
Gulick	Brett		106
Gunder	Paul	K.	92
Gunderman	Helen	A.	43
Gunderman	Helen	A.	45
Gurtner	Talitha	"Grandma"	220
Gutermuth	Roxane	E. "Babe"	286
Guthrie	Mabel	A.	153
Guysinger	Joyce	Lavon	62
Guzman Sr.	Joseph	E.	37
Haas	Oren	F.	289
Hagerty	Ruth	L.	202
Hagerty	Thomas	L.	360
Hague	Hideko		391
Haislip	Walter	Milton	81
Haley Jr.	Ambrose	"Bruce"	144
Hall	Mary	J.	104
Hall	Sandra	"Kay"	365
Hall	Kylie	Deanna	389
Hamm Jr.	Charles	G.	44
Hamman	David	B.	403
Hamman	David	Bruce	405
Handrich	Kaylee	Sue	72
Handshoe	Bessie		18
Hanna	Keith	D.	109
Happel	Barbara	A.	334
Harber	Mary	A.	266
Harding	John	A.	28
Hardy	Margaret	Carrie	82
Harger	Emily	Rebecca	139
Harp	Gerald	A.	63
Harper	Lois	M. "Susie"	43
Harrington Sr.	Robert	E.	369
Harris	Neal	R.	44
Harris	Everett	O.	112
Harris	Mary	K.	354
Harroff-Foster	Bethel	Marie	325
Hart	Karl	V.	169
Hart	Karl	V.	172

Hart	Junior	Leroy "Jake"	353
Hart	Franklin	L.	51
Hart	Edna	F.	307
Harter	Beulah	L.	66
Harter	Jerry	A.	99
Harter	Walter	"Joe"	251
Hartman	Mildred	E.	32
Hartwig	Ronald	A.	289
Hashu	Anna	Pauline	119
Haskins	Vergil	M.	209
Haskins	Leon	B.	249
Hasselman	Ted	V.	147
Hasselman	Arthur		182
Hatch	May	Madeline	177
Hathaway	Dale	Kenneth	124
Hatter	Melvin	L.	291
Hauenstein	William	Robert	102
Havens	Alma	Boto	155
Hayes	Viola		140
Hazen	Earl	L.	339
Hearn	Janet	K.	393
Hedges	Alice	Mae	362
Heffley	H.	Ray	158
Heign	Lucille		197 A
Heintzelman	Lawrence	E.	158
Heltzel	Opal	Bernice	128
Hemrick	Robert	J.	82
Henderson	Doris	A.	45
Hendricks	Roberta	G. "Bert"	129
Hendricks	Maxine		314
Henley	Helen	G.	41
Henley	Helen	G.	42
Henney	The Rev. Dr. R.	L.	82
Henney	The Rev. Dr. Robert	Lee	83
Henry	Genevieve	E.	18
Henry	Paul	E.	188
Hensley Jr.	Charles		375
Herbolsheimer	Mildred	P.	242
Herendeen	Mary	A. (Englert)	34
Herendeen	Garry	D.	73
Hermann	Beatrice	L.	123
Hernandez	Yolanda		54
Herren	Rudolph	R. "Rudy"	342
Herron	Timothy	W. "Freddie"	197 A
Hershberger	Dale	E.	378
Hershberger	Dale	E.	379
Hess	Leonard	L.	308
Hesting	Kathleen	A.	108
Heupel	Frank	G.	33
Hewitt	Lilia	LaVern	1

Hewitt	Mary	Elizabeth	307
Hewitt	Mart	Elizabeth	309
Hickman	Audrey	I.	259
Hicks	Jack	R.	257
Hicks	Christina	R.	350
Higgins	Vera	C.	311
Hile	Loleta	M.	199
Hiler	Clark	J.	27
Hilkey	Ferman	"Rex"	143
Hill	David	E.	142
Hill	Don	A.	157
Hillman	James	B.	286
Hine	Clarence	William	56
Hinen	Lester		146
Hines	Nancy		373
Hinkle	Russell	D.	5
Hintz	Wilbur		161
Hise	Johnny	Wayne	338
Hitchins	Walter	Albert	5
Hively	Marjorie	Evelyn	157
Hodge	Lois	J.	130
Hodge	Linda	P.	259
Hodis	Josie	Irene	84
Hollinshead	Sylvia	Alice	94
Hollinshead	Sylvia	Alice	94
Hollman	Bonnie	Mae	70
Holloway	John	D.	10
Holman	Evanell	M.	295
Holmes	Melany	Gail	188
Holsinger	Carl	F.	157
Holsinger	Carl	F.	159
Holsinger	Paul	Duane	323
Hoock	Bertha	M.	74
Hook	Vera	Marie	2
Hooley	Orvin	H.	38
Hoot	Roscoe	Sherman	304
Hoot	Roscoe	Sherman	325
Hoover	Warren	R. "Skeets"	76
Hornbrook	Rudolph		172
Hornett	Dennis	D.	350
Horrell	Eugene	R.	304
Horst	Ruth	Lenore (Groscop)	245
Hosted	Gerald	"Hop"	18
Hostetler	Leland	O.	83
Hostetter	Rachel	(Dolan)	264
Houlton	George		229
Houser	James	D. "Jim"	126
Houser	Col. Harold	H.	129
Hovarter	Alda	Rose	272
Howdyshell	Dale	E.	6

Howell	Clara	(Baughman)	43
Hower	Edgar	E.	208
Howey	Madge		249
Hoyer	Marcella		2
Hoyer	Kathleen		11
Hoyer	Paul	T.	11
Hoyer	Kathleen	S. "Kathy"	14
Hoyer Jr.	Wymond	J.	403
Hubartt	Hazel	I.	164
Hubbard	David	William	65
Huffman	Frieda	Mae	202
Hufnagle	Max	L.	362
Hunter	M.	Yvonne	110
Hurd	Dorothy	M.	40
Husted	Roscoe	Alvin	358
Hutchins	Beverly	Berhalter	330
Hyndman	Annabelle	W.	223
Iler	Russell	O.	179
Imhoff	Donald	Dean	210
Ingledue	Walter	James	384
Ingrum	David	K.	96
Inlow	Irene	Gertrude	169
Inlow	DeWayne	H.	244
Jackson	Glenn	T.	82
Jackson	Elizabeth	A.	165
Jackson	Marilyn	L.	309
Jackson	Linda		314
Jacoby	Sanford	E. "Sam"	47
Jagielski	Harry	J.	279
James	Phyllis	J.	291
James	Carrie	M.	396
Jarnagin	Margaret	E.	262
Jarnagin	Terry	L.	342
Jenkins	Eunice	Mae	153
Jenkins	Louise	J.	322
Jennings	Anna	T.	81
Jensen	Richard	A.	216
Jensen	Harry	D.	306
Jent Sr.	Willie		341
Jetmore	David	H.	192
Johnson	H.	Dean	112
Johnson	Mary	C.	137
Johnson	Carl	J. "Smokey"	168
Johnson	The Rev. James	R.	195
Johnson	Eleanor	L.	329
Jones	Thelma	M.	54
Jones	Harold	R.	183
Jordan	Claudena	P.	49

Julian	LaVornia		218
Julian	Wilodene	May	353
Kassee	Henry	L.	321
Kauffman	Eli	K.	44
Kauffman	John	William	146
Kauffman	Katie		343
Kearney	Cy	"Elliott"	217
Keefus	John	E.	239
Keen	Velma		366
Keener	Leland	"Red"	388
Kees	Harry	L.	268
Keirn	Esta	W.	54
Keller	Mildred	K.	68
Keller	Delia		104
Keller	Anna	M.	398
Kelley	Garnet	B.	145
Kelley	Cheryl	Lynn	392
Kelly	Jack	E.	254
Kemmer	Jean		102
Kennedy	Frances	L.	263
Kennedy	Frank	N.	400
Kerlin	Wilma	V.	318
Kesling	Kathleen	V.	322
Kessler	Barbara	June	357
Ketcham	Erle	L.	382
Kiester	John	R.	192
Kiles	Eva	P.	19
Kiles	Eva	P.	21
Kimes	Gerald	G.	119
Kimmel	Richard	R.	405
Kincade	Clarence	"Kady"	269
Kincheloe	Vera	Morr	41
King	Arlo	E.	83
King	Pearl	M.	175
King	David	E.	276
Kinnison	Lila	Lee	94
Kirkpatrick	Alice	G.	31
Kirkpatrick	F.	Juanita	92
Kirkwood	Kathryn	N.	38
Kiser	Cecil		371
Kistler	Judith	A.	115
Kittle	Hayward	L.	43
Kittle	Johnny	W.	170
Kline	Don	D.	134
Kline Jr.	Earl	L. "Bud"	301
Klinger	Marie		36
Klinger	Edith	Marie	73
Klingler	Mary	A.	3
Klink	Nancy		335

Knafel	Harlan	A. "Bud"	14
Knauer	Patricia	Jean	391
Knisely	Earl	M.	178
Koch	Marie	H.	382
Koons	The Rev. James	W.	252
Kope	Melba	E.	197 B
Kreiser	Lois	P.	379
Krieg	Paul	O.	88
Krom	Frieda	P.	163
Krueckeberg	Leonora	S.	374
Krueger	Erwin		294
Krugh	Audrey	U.	33
Kuckuck	Wilma	E.	34
Kuhn	Pauline	A.	95
Kuhn	Gerald	W.	177
Kuhn	Susan	Evalena	286
Kuhn	Brian	Robert	372
Kumfer	Elmer	Edward	286
Laisure	James	Eugene	110
Lambright	Irene	L.	22
Lamper	Tracy	K.	404
Landez Sr.	Bartolo	M. "Bart"	7
Landez Sr.	Bartolo	M. "Bart"	9
Lane	Jessie	B.	338
Langley	Leah	L.	319
Langley	Leah	L.	323
Lantz	Janice	I.	87
Larkin	Mark	L.	219
LaRowe	Robert	W.	208
Larson	Elmer	P.	395
Lasho	Leah	M.	222
Laughlin	Dorothy	Florence	162
Laux	Paul	A.	352
Lawson	Mary	Jo	73
Layman	Janis	Irene	36
Leas	Richard	Lyle	181
LeCount	Clifford	E.	239
Ledger	Paul		248
Lee	Ruth	E.	202
Lee	Gail		216
Leemon	William	A.	12
Leer	Jerry	A.	127
Legier	Helen	Casebeer	228
Leighty Jr.	Earl	G.	55
Leiter	Glade	Allen	123
Lemaster	Dale		183
Leming	Linda	J.	179
Lemper	Howard	Charles "Bud"	121
Lemper	Howard	C. "Bud"	125

Leonard	Lois	Vivian	195
Lepley	Loretta	M.	388
Lesley	Adam	J.	67
Lett	Anna	M. "Maggie"	20
Lewellyn	John	N.	112
Lewis	Clyde	E.	42
Lewis	Zenobia	Ellen	65
Light	David	R.	184
Light	Jamie	Lynn	184
Likes	Emory	C.	387
Lincoln	Velma		321
Link	Charles	T.	150
Link	James	C.	157
Lips	Robert	William	161
Little	Helen	Love	39
Livergood	Richard	G.	127
Lloyd	Nellie	B. Simon	21
Lockwood	Dale	O.	190
Logan	Bruce	E.	191
Long	Karen	S.	69
Long	Sandra	Lee	120
Long	Joshua	C. "Josh"	225
Long	Mae	L.	374
Loomis	Monroe	C.	334
Lorish	Mamie		19
Lortie	Peggye	J.	59
Loutzenhiser	Vernon	J.	262
Lovely	Jessie	Marie	102
Lowe	James	L.	50
Lowe	Edgar	C.	79
Lowe	Maurice	J.	142
Lower	Nancy	L.	126
Lucas	Marlene	Z.	357
Luce	William	M.	366
Luke	Martin	A.	149
Lumpkins	Carl	E.	49
Lung	Betty	Jane	155
Lunger III	O.	K.	146
Lusk	Robert	S.	57
Lutz	Pauline	H.	104
Lyke	Jeanette	Isa	196
Mackel	Mary	Ellen "Molly"	287
Main	Leona	Rosalind	380
Malhoit	Clifford	L.	116
Manning	Eleanor	L.	185
Manon	Pearl		166
Mantle	Blanche	D.	183
Mapes	Dorothy	Irene	290
Mareane	William	"Bill"	335

Market	LaVonne	E.	77
Market	LaVonne	E.	80
Market	Charles	O. "Bus"	88
Marks	Randi	Sue	70
Marks	Cleo	L. "Clem"	163
Martin	Velva	E.	32
Martin	Christina	Anna Marie	159
Martin	Hazel		293
Martin	Loretta		341
Martin	James	E.	389
Martin Sr.	Paul	Edward	394
Marty	Ruth	J.	222
Martz	Mary	L.	147
Marvel	Rachel	Elizabeth "Liz"	26
Mason	Lowell	F.	22
Mason	Armen	F.	392
Mason	Floyd		401
Mast	Mattie	E.	211
Mast	Earl	Wayne	371
Masters	Marcella	M.	46
Masters	Robert	Jack	367
Mathew	Robert	D. "Bob"	325
Mauk	Harold	D.	108
Mavis	Karl	Eugene	218
Mavis	Dale	E.	267
Mavis	Adrian	R.	338
Maxson	Richard	Levon	230
Maxson	Richard	LaVon	232
May	Hal	E.	207
McAninch	Herbert	A.	387
McAninch	Herbert	A.	388
McCart	Wanda	B.	196
McClanahan	Brock		398
McConnehey	Charlotte	J.	316
McCord	Betty	M.	340
McCormick	James	W.	58
McCormick	Charles	M. "Mike"	105
McCoy	Gladys	M.	60
McCoy	Max		197
McCoy	Elza		221
McCoy	Charley	H. "Chic"	239
McCoy	Arthur	C.	331
McCoy	Jean	A.	338
McCrory	Charlotte	E.	363
McDaniel	Benjamin	F.	207
McDermott	Terry	P.	238
McDonald	Juanita	Lucille	339
McFarland	Alice	M.	53
McGill	Betty	J.	363
McGrath	Cletus	P.	22

McGraw	Alexis	Marie	118
McIntosh	Vernon	Ned	118
McIntosh	Richard	L.	392
McKinley	Bertha	A.	311
McLain	Janice	E. (Friend)	23
McLaughlin	Phyllis	I.	70
McMahon	Ann	L. (Lauver)	197 A
McPherson	George	W.	97
McQuade	Gladys	L.	371
Meade	Selsus	"Dick"	44
Meadows	Howard		178
Means	Kenneth	R.	248
Melchi	Woodrow		146
Mendenhall	John	Argyl	198
Menzel	William	F. "Bill"	219
Menzel	William		220
Merriman	David	C.	399
Mertz	LouAnn		371
Mertz	Herbert	F.	378
Meston	The Rev. Malcom	F.	32
Metz	Sarah	L.	31
Metz	Kenneth	C.	295
Meyer	Amanda	J.	329
Meyers	Marie	Katherine	204
Mick	Alexander	Lee	132
Mickelson	Delmar	L.	164
Mickelson	Delmar	L.	167
Milleman	Mary	Ann	75
Miller	Jack	L.	78
Miller	Charles	H.	85
Miller	Charles	H.	86
Miller	Esther	R.	98
Miller	Victor		98
Miller	Clemence	J.	107
Miller	Charles	W.	108
Miller	Janice	Marie	138
Miller	Sharon	Sue Braucher	139
Miller	Clyttie	N. "Kit"	215
Miller	Wallace	T.	235
Miller	Perry	E.	253
Miller	Cora	O.	267
Miller	Robert		287
Miller	Edna	P.	289
Miller	Lois	Neoma	290
Miller	Eli	E.	291
Miller	Tim		346
Miller	Ben	B.	350
Miller	Robert	Allen	365
Miller	Lena	M.	375
Miller	Urias	U.	198

Miller Sr.	Richard	D.	93
Miller Sr.	Arthur	C.	197 B
Mills	Carolyn	S. (Reas)	31
Mills	Polly		193
Minich	Lynn	Richard	313
Minier	Barbara	A.	154
Minnick	Ottilee	J.	57
Miskowski	Cecilia	A.	207
Mitchell	Martha	I.	264
Mllens	Clara		331
Mohr	Carl	F.	319
Monroe	George	W.	264
Montgomery	Rolland	H.	226
Montoya	Natalie	Ibanez	248
Moore	Billy	J.	12
Moore	Rex	W.	86
Moore	Timothy	G.	104
Moore	Keith	D.	286
Moore	Iona	M.	303
Moore	Mildred	K.	352
Morr	Mabel	L.	37
Morrical	Wayne	E. "Moose"	48
Morris	Alice		269
Morris	Alice	Allene	271
Morrison	Roxanna	I.	140
Moser	Grace	E.	63
Moser	James	E.	123
Moser	Richard	D.	232
Moser	Julie	K.	291
Moss	Martha	Elizabeth	9
Moss	Merl	W.	112
Moss	Earl	Dale	202
Mossbarger	Kelly	Renee	184
Mossbarger	Kelly	Renee	186
Mosshammer	Rosanna	Sue	94
Mote	Margarito	V.	387
Moughler	Elnor	J.	23
Moughler	Elnor	J.	24
Moughler	Hubert	D.	197
Mullett	Mable	J.	320
Mullins	Lucille		406
Mullins	Lucille		407
Muncie	Ina	Mae	114
Murdock	James	W.	329
Murdock	James	W.	332
Murillo	Gloria		241
Murray	Robert	W.	383
Musselman	Charles	E.	102
Musser	Edsel	J.	307
Myer	Sylvia	M.	405

Myers	Paul	LeRoy	69
Myers	Maxine	Phyllis	184
Myers	Betty	J.	224
Myers	Ann	M.	304
Myers	Dallas	G.	363
Neeley Jr.	James		188
Neely	Blancha		74
Nemeth	Lenore	C.	5
Neutz	Charles	W.	155
Newbauer	Joseph	J.	260
Newlin	Wilbur	E.	338
Nichols	William	H. "Bick"	28
Nichols	Helen	Anna	299
Nicolet	Peggy	L.	58
Norton	Loyal	Fredrick	193
Noyes	Marie	Louise	171
Nurenberg	Helen	Marie	44
Oakley	Betty	I.	175
Obendorf	Sharon	Ann	260
Ober	Ralph	W. "Mike"	338
O'Dell	Harold	T.	255
Ohler	Pearl	A.	368
Oiler	Forrest	Lamar	369
Olinghouse	E.	Wayne	126
Oliver	Hazel	F.	354
Openlander	Barbara	A.	93
Ordway	Dale	H.	152
Orr	The Rev. F.	Franklin	3
Orr	Phillip	R.	272
Ortega	Israel		372
Orwig	Sue	Ann Platt	45
Ott	Ruby	Juanita	280
Ott	Howard		292
Ott	Harold		293
Overmyer	Frank		12
Overmyer	Jack	W.	273
Owen	Shane	D.	283
Owen	Sarah	A.	283
Palmer	James	F.	76
Pape	Kathleen	Sheila	333
Parish	Vernal	O.	359
Parker	Fern	K.	130
Parker	Richard	L.	190
Parker	Lela	M.	204
Parker	Lela	M.	206
Parr	Louise	F.	117
Parsons	Beulah	N.	196

Parsons	Beulah		197
Parvu	John		365
Patrick	Brillian		227
Patton	Leo	L. "Ray"	374
Paul	Norma	E.	193
Paulus	Ides	L.	185
Paulus	Delbert	F.	269
Paynter	Raymond	R.	43
Peachy	Rosezena	Elaine	269
Pearse	William	C. "Bill"	112
Pearson	Harold	A.	304
Peckhart	Annis	Hazel	197 A
Peckhart	Norman	E.	393
Peckhart	Norman	E.	395
Pedigo	John	L.	382
Pena	Celia	M.	404
Penland	Margaret	Rebecca	245
Penland Jr.	Jay	Almond	250
Pennell	Marion	Van	53
Pepple	Genevieve	Mae	46
Perkins	Marlin	G. "Pete"	269
Perrine Jr.	Steven	Patrick	228
Peterson	Joseph	J.	385
Phelps	Beverly	Patrice	151
Phillips	Sherrill	M.	122
Picker	Mary	C.	398
Pierce	Kenneth		197 B
Pifer	Fredric	H.	342
Pigott	The Rev. Michael		173
Pinkerton	Doris	M.	53
Plummer	Leona	"Blanche"	3
Pocock	Edith	(Perry)	135
Pollitt	John	Wendell	10
Pontius	Donald	L.	51
Poorman	Agatha	Marie	265
Porter	Thomas	James	167
Porter	Peggy	Lou	215
Potts	Helen	Virginia	179
Pounds	James	Allen	213
Powell	Lt. Col. Robert	W.	359
Powers	LaMar	Don	69
Powers	LaMar	Don	70
Poyser	Margaret	E.	171
Prater	Lilly		107
Pressler	Lola	E.	50
Price	Bertie	M.	378
Prince	Charles	D.	294
Proehl	Doris	E.	4
Prough	Delight	E.	397
Proxmire	La Von	L.	12

Pruitt	Vera	C.	101
Pufahl	Ronald	W.	20
Quintero	Roman		54
Quintero	Bette	M.	211
Radcliff	Leo	Lewis	349
Ramer	John	C.	179
Ramsey	Opal	Evelyn	345
Randol	Dolores		111
Randol	Dolores		114
Randol	Golda	Maxine	301
Randol Jr.	Zopher	R.	295
Randol Jr.	Zopher	R.	297
Raney	Helen	I.	209
Ranney	Vera	E.	191
Raspiller	Audrey	Carson	261
Rathbun	Dorothy	Lee	34
Rathbun	Versel	A.	344
Rathburn	Dakota	Forrest	145
Reade	Robert	M.	160
Reade	Robert	Paul	201
Recker	Donald	R.	174
Reed	Martha	Josephine	46
Reed	Austin	David	72
Reed	Justin	Allen	72
Reed	Verda		110
Reed	N.	Bernice (Cooper)	334
Reese	Betty	Jane	393
Reeves	Jessie	M.	391
Reid	James		170
Reid	James		171
Reidt	Arthur	E.	389
Reidt	Arthur	E.	391
Reiff	Wilma	E.	256
Reimer	Robert	William "Bill"	377
Reinhart	Elsie	M.	402
Reinhart	Frazier	E.	404
Relyea	Hilda	Mae	29
Rentz	Marjorie	E.	122
Rentz	Marjorie	E.	164
Reutebuch	Ronald	John	174
Rex	James	Earl	194
Rex	James	Earl	195
Reynolds	Ruth	Z.	169
Rheinheimer	Raymond	L. "Bud"	78
Riccius	Jack	Edward	73
Rice	Erma	B.	331
Richey	Louella		318
Richter	Paul	A.	285

Ridenour	Burdett	Ralph	361
Rider	E.	Mildred	324
Riecke	Tammi	Lyn	21
Rinehart	Dortha	Leitch	222
Rinehold-Walker	Lorraine		61
Rinehold-Walker	Lorraine		64
Ringler	Chancey	M.	17
Riopelle	Helen	May	249
Risser	Patricia	A.	170
Ritchie Sr.	Oscar		177
Rittenhouse	Russell	Lee	244
Rittenhouse	Russell	Lee	246
Roark	Naomi	L.	122
Robbins	Bryan	Demoine	229
Robbins Sr.	Charles	M.	228
Robbins Sr.	Charles	M.	230
Roberts	Margaret	Julia Vernier	7
Roberts	Reece		47
Roberts	Austin	Lee	392
Robinson	Helen	I.	76
Robinson	Fay	M.	114
Roche Jr.	Robert	J. "Bobby"	312
Rodebaugh	Robert	R.	41
Roe	Dorothy	Elizabeth	143
Roesener	Kellie	G.	225
Roesener	Kellie	G.	227
Rogers	Lois	M.	99
Rohrbaugh	Howard		29
Rohrs	Richard	G.	332
Romine	Karla	K.	306
Rose	Martha	P.	367
Rosenberg	Caroline	Ruth "Carol"	210
Rositer	Paul	E.	344
Ross	Mary	Caroline	285
Rothgeb	Francis	Orvilla	63
Rothgeb	Dale	L.	387
Rottger	Robert	A.	131
Rottger	Wade	Allen	244
Rowe	Don	E.	262
Rowe	Julie	A. Sturgeon	271
Roy	Wayne	E.	161
Roy	Margaret	L.	292
Rubrake	Donald	Lee	382
Rumsey	Gary	L.	119
Rumsey	James	Earl	165
Rumsey	Norma	J.	211
Russell	Lester	W.	38
Ryan	Ruth		63
Rynearson	Rosalie	Marie	326

Sample	Robert	L.	45
Sattison	Clayton	M. "Jack"	379
Sattison	Clayton	M.	380
Sauder	Merritt	W.	154
Saunders	Orlena	E.	235
Saunders	Orlena	E.	237
Sawvel	William	L.	335
Sawyer	Tommy	Landis	77
Schaefer	Edward	A.	397
Scheiber	Anita	V.	160
Schenher	Clara	M.	223
Scherer	Eugene	A.	23
Schieber	Marilyn	J.	221
Schiffili	Marie	Ruppert	186
Schipper	Joan	E.	289
Schlichtenmyer	Ruby	I.	250
Schlotter Jr.	Richard	G.	178
Schmenk	Raynald	A.	242
Schneider	Virginia	H.	36
Schneider	Bonnie	Lou	89
Schneider	Donald	L.	152
Schorey	Evelyn	P.	338
Schramm	Thelma	I.	65
Schrubkowski	Gerda	W.	95
Schulthess	Emma		112
Schunk	Dorothy		67
Schutt	Everett	L.	170
Schutt	Leila	V.	359
Schweitzer	Rowena	P.	124
Scott	Irene	C.	116
Scott	Adrian	M.	274
Scott	Helen		323
Seagly	Mary	Jane	109
Seibert	Doris	May	231
Selking	Erma	Joy	401
Sellers	Gladys	L.	382
Selman	Edwin	W. "Ed"	218
Shaffer	Beverly	A.	31
Shanabarger	Mentor	LeVerr	105
Shane	Hazel	L.	327
Shank	Doris	D.	25
Shannon	Connie	Sue	373
Shannon	Connie	Sue	377
Sharp	Medaia	R. Traster	159
Shearer	A.	Ruth	395
Sheets	Russel	L.	67
Sheley	Marie	Y.	344
Shelton	Lois	A.	84
Shelton	Glenn	Junior	332
Shenk	F.	Edward	233

Shenk	F.	Edward	240
Sherman	Ruth	M.	20
Sherman	Ruth	Mae	21
Shippy	Ward	E.	350
Shippy	Ward	E.	351
Shoemaker	Monry		44
Shook	James	D.	350
Shoppell	Judy	A.	202
Shough	Delbert	G.	248
Shroyer	Wendell	D.	50
Shuff	Janice	L.	32
Shull	L.	D.	194
Shull	Margret		229
Shull	Margaret	June	232
Shull	Wayne	L.	366
Shultz	Jesse	H. "Doc"	147
Shultz	Harold	E.	344
Shumaker	Oscar	Junior	379
Simmons	Lois	M.	336
Simon	Hubert	Maxwell	153
Single	Ida	R.	179
Skevington	Rita	Elizabeth	47
Skevington	Rita	Elizabeth	52
Skinner	Virgil	P. "Virg"	292
Skinner	Maxine	C.	340
Skinner	Kenneth	Reid	359
Slabaugh	Charlotte	J.	66
Slater	Jonah	H.	282
Slick	Mildred	J.	312
Sliger	Jean	E.	68
Slone	Daisy	D.	293
Slone	Lula	Howard	393
Sloniker	Vaughn	B.	17
Smart	Gladys	Maude	176
Smith	Russell	W.	3
Smith	Annetta	Gaff	8
Smith	Virgil	F.	24
Smith	Lawrence	B.	54
Smith	Ruth	O.	74
Smith	Helyn	E.	82
Smith	Helyn	E.	86
Smith	Harold	K. "Smitty"	87
Smith	Elmer	L.	102
Smith	Annabel	L.	149
Smith	John	T. "Smitty"	170
Smith	John	T. "Smitty"	171
Smith	Mary	L.	206
Smith	Terry		245
Smith	Richard	J.	253
Smith	Richard	G. "Smitty"	283

Smith	Loyd	C.	285
Smith	Margaret	W.	296
Smith	Gloria	Louise	312
Smith	Wava	L. Bassett	322
Smith	Norma	J.	341
Smith	Betty	M.	394
Smith III	Eugene	Raymond	176
Smith Jr.	Owen	W.	78
Smith Jr.	Owen	W.	78
Smolinske	June	G.	191
Smurr	James	R. "Jim"	318
Snapp	Hazel	C.	369
Snodgrass	Russell	B.	245
Snyder	Nina	Marie	13
Snyder	Mildred	E.	76
Snyder	Rhea	C.	176
Snyder	Josephine	A.	202
Snyder	Josephine	A.	203
Snyder	Josephine	A.	237
Solliday	Doris	L.	60
Somerset	Michael	R.	181
Sorey	Dr. Lon	D.	42
South	Sue	Hamilton	36
South Jr.	Robert	E.	360
Sower	Ralph	L.	337
Spaw	Betsy	Viola "Pat"	32
Spencer	James	Paul	236
Spidel	Gwendellyn	O.	185
Spohr	Thomas	S	14
Sprague	Morris	L.	37
Sprankle	Dale	P.	387
Stabler	Sanger	A.	31
Stabler	Sanger		99
Stage	Harold	E.	337
Stahly	Harold	DeVoe	44
Stantz	Donald	D.	148
Stayer	Beulah	Irene	97
Stayer	Patricia		129
Stayer	Patricia		132
Stayner	Albert	W.	241
Steffen	Victoria	J.	81
Stein	Betty	Ruth	27
Steinbarger	Ruth	E.	285
Steinman	Gerald	L.	311
Stephenson	Mildred	M.	30
Steury	Lewis		103
Stevenson	Charles	L.	151
Steward	Michael	A.	283
Stewart	Addie	W. (Bladen)	273
Stickan	Christian	A.	97

Stiles	Mary	Ann (McClure)	33
Stolte	Hilda	E.	305
Stoltz	Claudia	E.	80
Stoltz	Thad	T.	232
Stomm	Ruby	Irene	188
Stone II	W.	Grey	44
Stoneburner	Henrietta	A.	152
Stonestreet	Doris	Catherine	75
Strasser	Gloria	P.	354
Strater	Frederick	C.	67
Straw	Gordon	G.	314
Straw	Gordon	G. "Gordy"	316
Streby	Martha	J.	151
Street	Evelyn	M.	128
Strehlow	Freda	G.	179
Strehlow	Freda	Garnet	182
Stritmatter	I.	Lucille	289
Strow	Harold	Eugene	34
Stubblefield	William	Otis "Bill"	209
Stump	Mildred	M. Thorn	347
Stump	Milo	E.	404
Sturdivant	Violet		371
Sumner	Paulette		220
Surfus	Lillian	M	136
Sutton	Wesley	Dean	402
Swartzendruber	Mary	M.	230
Swinehart	Celeste	A.	334
Swonger	Kathryn	I.	80
Swonger	Paulette	E.	224
Sykes	Mary		278
Tallent	Zachary	T.	169
Tarnney	Nedrick	Joseph	336
Tartter	Rose	C.	254
Taulbee	John	E.	214
Taylor	Richard	L.	270
Teague	Carol	M.	356
Teeters	Ida	Iona	217
Terry	Maurice	W.	239
Teusch	Charles	H.	103
Thacker	Russell	B.	139
Thobe	Ralph	C.	122
Thomas	Hazel	M.	29
Thomas	Hoyte	R.	91
Thomas	Bonnie	L.	109
Thomas	Mary	L.	111
Thomas	Millie	Ann	129
Thomas	Millie	Ann	131
Thomas	Millie	Ann	133
Thomas	Dorothy	M.	160

Thomas	George	E.	283
Tilghman	Harold	E.	61
Tilghman	Willard	W. "Jack"	277
Timbrook	L'Vera	E.	345
Timmis	Charles	W.	343
Timmis	Charles	W.	345
Tittle	Anna	M.	252
Tombaugh	Rita	J.	143
Toth	Ellen	C.	84
Toth	John	S.	124
Townsend	Pauline	F.	141
Traster	Charles	H."Buck"	166
Traster	George	D.	243
Traut	Cecelia	O.	351
Treadwell	Christine		129
Treadwell	C.	Christine	131
Treckman	Lisa	D. (Galusha)	254
Treesh	Dail	W.	54
Treesh	Virginia	A.	134
Treesh	Paul	L.	268
Treesh	Loyton	B.	282
Treesh	Loyton	B.	284
Tremaine	Sally		313
Triplett	W.	J.	269
Tripp III	Maurice	E.	373
Trowbridge	Thelma	C.	236
Trowbridge	Valerie	Lynn	305
Troyer	Raymond		85
Truman	Nora	Jane	106
Trumbull	Elizabeth	May	251
Tschannen	Vicki	L.	346
Tucker	Lura	B.	78
Tucker	Howard	G.	189
Tuggle	Kenneth	"Junior"	106
Tulley	Pauline	M.	343
Turner	Mary	A.	140
Turner	Mildred	R.	220
Tuttle	Richard	K.	274
Tuttle	Richard	K.	275
Tuttle	Lannes	E. "Tut"	284
Tuttle	Robert	C.	396
Tyler	Beverlee	Raber	9
Ulm	R.	Keith	344
Ulrich	Arwin	G. "Bud"	313
Underwood	Paul	E.	351
Urban	Bessie		5
Urick	June		264
Vale	Mildred	N.	407

VanCleave	H.	S.	190
VanCleave	H.	S.	194
VanderWiere	Jasper	M. "Jack"	55
Vanette	Mabel	E.	258
VanHouten	Velma	Viola	89
Vaughn	Robert	L. "Arky"	242
Vaughn	Robert	L. "Arky"	243
Vaughn	Florena	J.	283
Vendrely	Wallace	D.	197 A
Vilders	Cornelia		123
Vincent	Martin	E.	157
Vogleman	Herman	E. "Bernie"	332
Vogts	Evelyn	M.	91
Vollmer	Mary	C.	74
Vose	Opal	P.	358
Wade Jr.	Louis	Edward	280
Wagner	Robert	E.	21
Wagner	Zelda	L.	32
Wagner	Darrel	H.	240
Wagner	Norbert	"Pete"	313
Walcutt	James	A.	37
Walcutt	Mary	Ella	247
Walker	Storm Corbin	Michael Stevens	6
Walker	Clyde	W.	377
Walker	Floretta	M.	404
Wall	Martha	M.	158
Wallace	Mabel	H.	197 B
Wallace	Marion	E.	237
Walley	John	C.	199
Walston	Robert	W.	400
Walter	Alwilda		136
Walter	Joseph	Elijah	206
Walter	AnnaBelle	Smith	348
Walter	Dean	F.	275
Walters	Gladys		274
Ward	Marguerite	A.	372
Warstler	Clara	E.	390
Waterson	Wilbur	C. "Bill"	224
Watson	Eileen	G.	175
Watson	Guy	G.	392
Watson	Guy	G.	393
Wear	Mary	E.	63
Weaver	Otho	P. "Pete"	43
Weaver	Herbert	R.	297
Weaver	Paul	M.	315
Weaver	Shirley	A.	376
Webb	Robert	L.	26
Webster	Lucille		7
Webster	Walter	A.	107

Weeks	Geraldine	L.	277
Weeks	Lucy	B.	350
Weible	Barbara	L.	213
Weicht	Aetna	Catherine	48
Weihmiller	Ned	E.	258
Weimer	Ruth	I.	46
Weimer	Lennel	D. "Pat"	126
Weirich	Joseph	D. "Joe"	48
Welch	John	J.	254
Welker	Larry	Michael "Mike"	254
Wells	Evelyn	Kissinger	5
Wengerd	Clara	M.	66
Werts	Walter	L.	335
West	Robert	T.	42
West	Margaret	Mae	68
West	Joan		284
Wetzel	Loretta	Florence	404
Whetstone	Vivian	K.	10
Whetstone	LaVerda	J.	283
Whitacre	E.	Eugene	340
Whitaker Jr.	Alex		128
Whitaker Jr.	Alex		129
Whitaker Jr.	Alex		132
White	Betty		10
White	Morris	E.	140
White	Edward	F.	277
Whiteleather	Dean		239
Whitt	Osie	O.	229
Whitt	Osie	O.	231
Whitt	W.	Mary	339
Wiedman	Raymond	Lee	336
Wigent	Elva	Ernstine	192
Wilcox	Mildred	I.	156
Wilkerson	Kenneth	V.	44
Wilkinson	Virginia	A.	398
Williams	Fletcher	K.	117
Williams	Jeffrey	F.	155
Williams	James	F.	276
Williamson	Charlotte	R.	69
Williamson	Gleason	Robert	186
Willibey	Glen	Gaylor	211
Willibey	Glen	Gaylor	212
Wilske	L.	Lucille	191
Wilson	Lloyd	Douglas "Doug"	83
Wilson	William	L.	133
Wilson	Florence	Marie	146
Wilson	Richard	D.	264
Wilson	Lloyd	K.	288
Wilson	Steven	W.	399
Winebrenner	Donald	H.	258

Winebrenner	Vera		339
Wink	William	B.	88
Winkler	Alice		254
Winn	John	E.	171
Wirick	Jimmy	L.	38
Wise	Herman		329
Wiseman	Nellie	J.	368
Witham	Ralph	E.	261
Witherspoon	V.	Louanna	295
Witsman	Donald	R.	79
Wittig	Walter	W.	201
Woitas	Darlene	L.	202
Wolfe	Pauline	A.	102
Wolfe	Pauline	A.	103
Wolfe	Bill	L.	177
Wolfe	Dorcas	D.	187
Wolfe	Kathleen		215
Wolfe	Jerry	Lee	311
Wolferman	Howard	Richard	230
Wolford	Richard	E.	21
Wood	Roslie		140
Woods	Myron	R.	322
Work	Loretta	P.	171
Workman Sr.	William	C.	25
Wortkoetter	Naoma	Orpha	118
Wren	Mabel	V.	179
Wright	Carol	J.	270
Wyatt	Glenn	A.	35
Wyatt	Margaret	C.	366
Yarde	Margaretta	Jane	20
Yarde	Edith	L.	183
Yarian	Harriet	C.	306
Yaylaian	Patty	Ice	285
Yingling	Harvey	W. "Butch"	302
Yoder	Orva	M.	24
Yoder	Raphael		29
Yoder	Ira	A.	74
Yoder	Orval	Dean	359
York	Dwaine	L.	329
Young	Mary	Ruth	13
Young	Evelyn	(Parr)	116
Young	Marcella	M. "Sally"	236
Young	Robert	L.	255
Young	Mary		266
Younis	Carol	Ann	309
Yunker	John	R.	185
Yustus	Robert		213
Zaban	William		108

Zartman	Homer	A.	94
Zehr	Timothy	J.	107
Zimmerman	Leo	B.	214
Zoll	Tobias	L.	169
Zollinger	Kari	Lynn	378
Zongker	Florence	J.	159
Zongker	Florence	M.	162
Zonker	Florence	M.	157
Zonker	Sylvester	A.	350
Zumbrun	Elsie		55
Zuver	Merry	M.	148

The Evening Star, Fri., Jan. 2, 1998,

Deaths/Funerals

Edward Bunn

GARRETT — Edward E. Bunn, 80, died Thursday at 5:50 a.m. in Auburn Healthcare Center.

Mr. Bunn was a machine operator for Kendallville Foundry for 10 years, retiring in 1984. He was a member of the Garrett posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, and attended the Garrett Church of the Nazarene. He formerly lived on South Guilford Street in Garrett.

He was born March 12, 1917, in Fort Wayne to the late Jefferson and Minnie (Genth) Bunn.

He married Helen Hillegass on March 19, 1949, in Fort Wayne, and she died June 7, 1992.

Surviving him are six sons, David of Auburn; Thomas, Edward and Wayne, all of Garrett, Kenneth of Hicksville, Ohio, and Howard of Sturgis, Mich.; two daughters, Jo Ann Bryant of Kendallville and Monica Brown of Auburn; one brother, Donald of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Opal DeWitt of Fort Wayne and Anna Davis of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Mae Bunn, and five brothers, Russell, James, Clarence, Ralph and Merl.

A graveside service will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett. Dr. William N. Hodge of the the Garrett Church of the Nazarene will officiate, with military rites by the Garrett posts of the American Legion and VFW.

There will be no calling. McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Donald Boyer

ANGOLA — Donald M. Boyer, 81, of Angola, died at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday in his residence.

He was born May 9, 1916, in Salem Township, Hudson, to Ralph and Delphia (Martin) Boyer. On Feb. 21, 1938, in Angola, he married Bessie Noll. She survives.

Mr. Boyer, a lifetime Steuben County resident, was a 1934 graduate of Salem Center High School. In 1937 he started Boyer Well Drilling in Angola. He was a farmer and attended Salem Center Presbyterian Church. He also had served on the Salem Center Fire Department. He was active as a Little League, Pony League and Mickey Mantle coach in Angola and played semi-pro baseball.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Diana Wilson of Parma, Mich., and Lou Ann Gaff of Angola; two sons, Jerry Boyer and Richard Boyer, both of Angola; a sister, Amy I. Boyer of Auburn; a brother, Gerald "Jack" Boyer of Avilla; 16 grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; seven stepgrandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Donna Boots, in 1971; a grandson, David S. Livengood, in 1968; and two brothers, David "Skip" Boyers in 1997, and Robert "Doc" Boyer in 1977.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Howard Compton officiating. Burial will be in Block Cemetery, rural Hudson.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Cameron Hospital Health Care & Hospice, Salem Center Presbyterian Church or Salem Center Fire Department.

Lilia Hewitt

KIMMELL — Lilia LaVern Hewitt, 71, of Kimmell, died at 5:50 p.m. Wednesday in Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana. She had been in failing health since November 1997.

She was born Jan. 3, 1926, in Dwight, Ill., to Randle Eugene and Virgie DeLean (Payne) Burns. Her mother survives in Hudson. On July 26, 1947, in Fort Wayne, she married Hershel Hewitt. He preceded her in death in 1996.

Mrs. Hewitt was a homemaker.

Surviving with her mother are three sons, Randy Hewitt of Kendallville, Hershel Hewitt Jr. of Ligonier, and Mike Hewitt of Kimmell; four daughters, Virgie Cooper and Penny Owsley, both of Kimmell, Linda Hewitt of Rochester, and Karen Weaver of Goshen; two brothers, Clifford Burns and Virgil Burns, both of Kimmell; four sisters, Ann Sattison of Hudson, Imaboy Johnson of Angola, Corda Hunt of Butler, Fla., and Carol Sue Davis of Mt. Dora, Fla.; 14 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Vickie; two brothers, George Burns and Donald Burns; and a sister, Dorothy Hewitt

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with Linda Hewitt officiating. Burial will be in Sparta Cemetery, Kimmell.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the National Kidney Foundation or Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

Evening Star, Fri, Jan. 2 1998 (cont'd)

Marcella Hoyer

ANGOLA — Marcella Hoyer, 85, of Angola, died Thursday at 7:15 a.m. at Kingston Care in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hoyer was a homemaker and a member of Mount Zion United Methodist Church.

She was born Sept. 11, 1912, in Noble County to the late Milo and Bertha (Dunten) Sloffer.

On April 16, 1938, she married Basil Hoyer, who preceded her in death on April 29, 1992.

Surviving are two sons, Gene of Castle Rock, Colo., and Roger of Angola; three daughters, Faye L. Jarrett of Bishop, Texas, Beth Hanchar of Fort Wayne, and Connie Swartz of Lima, Ohio; a brother, Robert Sloffer of Churubusco; a sister, Hilda Shivley of Churubusco; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, John Sloffer, and two sisters, Helen Stonestreet and Marie Bosler.

Friends may call Monday from 4-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Glenda Ray Woodcox officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery, Steuben Township, Steuben County.

Memorials donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Society.

Joseph Dutterer

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Joseph A. "Joe" Dutterer, 91, died Thursday at 11:10 a.m. in Fountain Manor Care Center, Hicksville, where he had lived since 1991.

Mr. Dutterer retired from Stemen International Dealership in Hicksville. He was a past member of the Hicksville Eagles lodge and had been a Hicksville resident since 1943.

He was born Feb. 27, 1906, in Defiance County, Ohio, to the late Jefferson and Jennie (Hopkins) Dutterer.

He married Clara F. Smith on Sept. 3, 1924, in Fort Wayne, and she died Dec. 24, 1977.

Surviving him are one daughter, Dolores Kimmel of Monroeville; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One brother, Russel, and one sister, Grace Miles, preceded him in death.

Friends may call tonight after 6 and Saturday after 9 a.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Minister Lloyd Turnbull of West Milford Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Six Corners Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Vera Hook

ST. JOE — Vera Marie Hook, 89, of St. Joe, died Thursday evening in Fountain Manor Care Center at Hicksville, Ohio.

She was a homemaker and member of Coburn Corners Church of Christ.

Mrs. Hook was born June 23, 1908, in Hicksville to the late Edward and Latha (Zuber) Rex.

She married Ralph "Pat" Hook on Sept. 29, 1924, in Hillsdale, Mich., and he died Dec. 8, 1988.

Surviving her are one son, Ed of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Genevieve Overmyer of Hicksville and Patsy Christner of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Ray, on Dec. 29, 1997; two brothers, LaVon Rex and Raymond Rex; one sister, Berniece McCurdy; and one grandson, Kirby Christner.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Ken Wellman of Hicksville Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Hicksville Church of Christ or Fountain Manor Care Center.

Evening Star, Fri., Jan. 2, 1998 (cont'd)

Leona Plummer

AUBURN — Leona "Blanche" Plummer, 89, died today at 5:12 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Plummer was a homemaker and lived in Auburn. She was a member of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church, Butler, and the Ladies Auxiliary Friendship Club of Union Township.

She was born Jan. 11, 1908, in Carter County, Ky., to the late Moses and Miriam (Curry) Womack.

She married Clement Plummer on Feb. 1, 1928, and he died July 31, 1980.

Surviving her are one son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Sharon Plummer of Auburn; two sons-in-law, Johnny Overholser of Belle Vista, Ark., and Robert Klink of Chattanooga, Tenn.; six grandchildren, Rita Harwood, Kevin, Kent, Kelly and Kris Klink, and Michael Plummer; and five great-grandchildren, Nolan, Evan and Colin Harwood, and Mark and Jason Klink.

Two daughters, Patty Overholser and Jessie Klink, five brothers and three sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Monday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Dr. William Hodge of the Garrett Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery, rural Butler.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **The Rev. F. Franklin Orr**, 80, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Merriam Christian Chapel Church, Merriam. Calling Saturday from 2-8 p.m. and Sunday from 6-8 p.m. in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, and one hour before services Monday in the church.

KENDALLVILLE — **Mary A. Klingler**, 90, died Dec. 12. Services at 3 p.m. Sunday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier. No calling.

LIGONIER — **Russell W. Smith**, 93, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Sat. Jan. 3, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Doris Proehl

FORT WAYNE — Doris E. Proehl, 77, died Friday at 8:50 a.m. in Beverly Rehabilitation Center, Fort Wayne.

She was born Sept. 30, 1920, in Garrett to Harold and Lucile (Nelson) Fuller, who are deceased. On Jan. 22, 1960, she married Donald W. Proehl in Fort Wayne. He died Oct. 25, 1994, in Columbia City.

She graduated from Garrett High School in 1938 and then entered the practical nursing school in Indianapolis, graduating from its class of 1955.

She moved from Garrett to Fort Wayne in 1957 and lived there until 1987, when she and her husband went to their retirement home on East Island Court, Tri Lakes, Whitley County. She moved to Columbia City in 1995 following her husband's death and lived there until returning to Fort Wayne on Dec. 14, 1996.

She was a World War II U.S. Army veteran, serving in the 50th Base Hq & AB Sqd.

She retired in 1972 after 10 years' service in the accounts payable department of the Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital's business office.

She was a member of the Fort Wayne Colony Heights Church of Christ, Fort Wayne White Shrine of Jerusalem, and the Columbia City Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by two sisters, Glennagene Hartig of Fort Wayne and Alma (Mrs. Bill) Leathers of Sun City, Ariz.; a brother, Harold Fuller Jr. of Auburn; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Funeral Home, 600 Countryside Drive, Columbia City, with the Rev. James Crothers officiating. Graveside services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. in Westville Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Columbia City Order of the Eastern Star will conduct a twilight memorial service Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Carol Pebley, c/o Ministry of the Blind, through the Colony Heights Church of Christ, 4724 E. Tillman Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46816.

The Evening Star, Mon., Jan. 5, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Bessie Urban

AUBURN — Bessie Urban, 89, died Sunday at 6:45 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Urban worked for the former Ettinger Funeral Home in Waterloo for 10 years and was a farmer. She was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church, and a charter member of former Pythian Sisters Lodge of Waterloo and Hamilton. She was also a member of the Rebekkah Lodge. She lived on McIntyre Drive in Auburn.

She was born Sept. 22, 1908, in Smithfield Township to the late Lewis Alonzo and Rosa (Durst) Matson.

Three husbands, Arthur Jenks, Harley Spencer and William Urban, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are one son, Bruce Jenks of Fort Wayne, five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

One granddaughter also preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after noon. The Rev. John Hostetter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Lenore Nemeth

HAMILTON — Lenore C. Nemeth, 73, died Friday morning in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Nemeth worked for more than 13 years at Valley Screen in Mishawaka, where she was a shipping clerk, retiring in 1989. She lived on County Road 4-A, Hamilton, and was a member of the Hamilton Wesleyan Church.

She was born May 20, 1924, in Hamilton to the late John C. and Callie (Dangler) Nickols.

She married Oscar L. Nemeth on Aug. 6, 1948, in South Bend, and he died Aug. 27, 1995.

Surviving are two sons, Gregory L. of Crown Point and John C. of Elkhart; one brother, Dale Nickols of Hamilton; one sister, Chloe Myers of Hamilton; and two grandchildren.

Services were conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton, with the Rev. David Leitzel officiating. Burial was in Eddy Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hamilton Wesleyan Church.

Hillis Brookes

ANGOLA — Hillis C. Brookes, 86, of Angola, died Wednesday at 11:50 a.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

She was a homemaker; a member, past matron and former deputy of the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 263, Uniontown, Pa.; a member of the White Shrine of Jerusalem and Daughters of the Nile, and a mother adviser of Rainbow Girls, all of Pennsylvania.

She also was a member of the Angola First Congregational United Church of Christ.

She was born June 24, 1911, in Fort Wayne to the late Charles A. and Lois (Trenary) Clark.

Surviving are a son, Richard Brookes of Sumpter, S.C.; a sister, Yetiva Humphries of Angola; three grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted Saturday in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola, with the Rev. David Bowman officiating. Arrangements were made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Walter Hitchins

FORT WAYNE — Walter Albert Hitchins, 83, died Sunday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hitchins lived in Mishawaka for 49 years before moving to Fort Wayne in December. He retired from Uniroyal in 1970 with 27 years of service as a development chemist. He was the chief chemist at the Mishawaka waste and water treatment plant, retiring in 1985.

He was a member of the Uniroyal Management Club, American Chemical Society, and American Association of Retired Persons.

He was born April 20, 1914, in Brooklyn, N.Y.

He married his wife, Phyllis, on Sept. 17, 1943, in Elkins, W.Va., and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Barbara Ledbetter of Auburn and Ann Hathaway of Fort Wayne; and four grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-6 p.m. at Bubb Funeral Chapel, 3910 N. Main St., Mishawaka.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Entombment will be in St. Joseph Valley Park Cemetery, Mishawaka.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Russel D. Hinkle**, 44, died Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, with calling there from 5-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY - **Evelyn Kissinger Wells** died Friday. Services were today in Columbia City.

Deaths/Funerals

Storm Walker

ANGOLA — Storm Corbin Michael Stevens Walker was stillborn Sunday at 1:19 a.m. at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Surviving are his parents, Dusty Lynn Gill and Jacob Lee Walker of Angola; his maternal grandparents, Kevin and Kim Gill of Hamilton; his maternal grandmother, Carol Balser of Angola; his maternal great-grandparents, Arden and Sadie Gill of Angola, Larry Mick of Fayette, Ohio, and Pat Zabst of Angola; his paternal grandmother, Patt Whiteman of Angola; his paternal great-grandparents, Arnold and Pauline Tomke of Inglewood, Fla.; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Graveside services will begin at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday in Edon Union Cemetery, Edon, Ohio.

Memorial donations may be made to the family. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Anna Ballard

DAYTON, Ohio — Anna S. Ballard, 92, died Sunday at 8:30 a.m. in Bethany Lutheran Village, where she had lived for 21 years.

She was born in Auburn and attended Indiana State Normal School. She was a graduate of the Opal School of Design. She married the late Dr. James W. Ballard, also formerly of Auburn.

She and her husband were charter members of the Sunset Hills United Presbyterian Church in Mount Lebanon, Pa. She was a member of Fairmont Presbyterian Church in Dayton.

She was a member of the Dayton Literacy Club and Dayton Weavers Guild, and a former member of Eastern Star and Rotary Anns Club in Ravenna, Ohio.

Surviving her are four daughters, Janice A. Maeder of Lexington, Ky., Marcia A. Liberty of Newmarket, N.H., Barbara T. Ballard of Flagstaff, Ariz., and Sandra I. Ballard of Beaumont, Texas; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in Fairmont Presbyterian Church, 3705 Far Hills Ave., Kettering OH 45429, with the Rev. David Bickett officiating. Burial will take place in Auburn.

Routsong Funeral Home, Dayton, is in charge of arrangements.

Vincent Fravel

DECATUR — Vincent G. Fravel, 19, died Sunday afternoon in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, as a result of injuries sustained in an accident Dec. 29 west of Decatur.

He worked with Manpower Inc. for Johnson Controls in Ossian and was enrolled at LaSalle University. He was a member of the Army National Guard. He formerly lived in the Auburn and Kendallville areas.

He was born Feb. 16, 1978, in Decatur.

Surviving are his father and stepmother, Gary L. and Kimary K. Fravel of Decatur; his mother, Rebecca S. Irwin of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Anthony S. of Bloomington and Travis L. of Decatur; three sisters, Lindi P. Fravel, Madalyn C. Fravel, and Audrey A. Fravel, all of Decatur; his grandparents, Rita M. Schindler of Fort Wayne, James A. Schindler of Fort Wayne, and Charles and Rosella Fravel of Geneva; and two great-grandmothers, Janice E. Agler of Decatur and Freeda Irwin of Decatur.

Friends may call Wednesday from 3-9 p.m. at Zwick-Sefton & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur.

Services are pending for Thursday at the funeral home, with burial to be in the Decatur Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Wilma Dawson

KENDALLVILLE — Wilma M. Dawson, 81, of Lakeland, Fla., and formerly of Kendallville, died at 4:15 p.m. Sunday her residence.

She was born in Putnam County on April 30, 1916, to Elias and Tena (Myers) Ladd. On Feb. 3, 1938, in Waterloo, she married Jarl Dawson. He preceded her in death Feb. 5, 1982.

Mrs. Dawson was a self-employed beautician, retiring in 1971. She was a former member of First Church of God in Kendallville, and attended the United Methodist Church in Florida. She was active in shuffleboard and held various offices in a league.

Surviving are a daughter, Marlene Rowe of Kendallville; a son, Dennis Dawson of Butler; two brothers, Kenneth D. Ladd of Haines City, Fla., and Gerald Ladd of Auburndale, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister.

Funeral services will be held at the Church of the Nazarene, Kendallville, at 11 a.m. Friday with the Rev. William J. Boehm officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Area Deaths

FORT WAYNE — **Dale E. Howdyshell**, 74, died Saturday. Memorial services at 1 p.m. Saturday in South Wayne Baptist Church, 910 Cottage Ave. No calling.

CHURUBUSCO — **Edwin Fisher**, 74, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there one hour before services.

The Evening Star, Wed., Jan. 7, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Margaret Roberts

AUBURN — Margaret Julia Vernier Roberts, 96, died Tuesday at 5:45 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Roberts was a pianist and retired teacher. Early in her career, she taught in several Indiana high schools, including Nappanee and Angola, where she taught music and band.

She was a graduate of Butler High School and Ward Belmont College. She received a degree in piano accompaniment from Chicago Music College, and a bachelor of science degree in music education from New York University. She studied piano composition with Frank LaFarge in New York. She played for several professional dancers, including Agnes DeMille and Ruth Paige. With singer Marie Houston, she toured the East Coast as a concert pianist.

She lived for nearly 40 years in Westchester, N.Y., where she taught school, gave private music lessons and concerts. She continued to give piano lessons until the late 1960s, when she and her husband retired in Indiana.

She was an associate member of the Ladies Literary Club of Auburn, John Houlton chapter of the NSDAR, Greenhurst Country Club and Bevier-Elting Association.

She was born Dec. 11, 1901, in Butler to the late Dora Alda (Decker) and Alfred Ulysses "Al" Vernier.

She married L.D. Roberts of Simsboro, La., on July 27, 1929, and he died May 23, 1975.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. James A. and Rachel (Sherwood) Roberts of Auburn; three grandchildren, Anne Margaret, Edward Hammon and Emily Allen Roberts; two nephews, Elmon Louis "Al" Vernier Jr. of Atlanta and Rufus Fairchild Vernier of Gaithersburg, Md., and their families; and a cousin, Robert Vernier of Evanston, Ill.

She was preceded in death by a son, Lawrence David Roberts Jr., who died at birth, and her only brother, Dr. Elmon Louis Vernier, who died March 22, 1980.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 10 a.m. Dr. Jack Pursell of the Auburn Presbyterian Church will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Humane Shelter or the Auburn Arts Commission Inc.

Lucille Webster

ANGOLA — Lucille Webster, 85, of Angola, died Tuesday at 7 a.m. in Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Mrs. Webster was co-owner of the E&L Motel, Fremont, from 1960 until she retired on Feb. 1, 1977; the Webster Motel from 1953-70; and Wards Service from 1947-55. She was a member of the Pokagon Business and Professional Women and the Angola United Methodist Church.

She was born Jan. 25, 1912, in Blackhawk, Ind., to the late Jesse A. and Pearl (Struck) Tyron.

On April 4, 1936, in Elkhart, she married Everett Webster, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a sister, Pauline Wetterstron of Leigh Acres, Fla.

She was preceded in death by five brothers and a sister.

Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday in Hillside Cemetery, Belleville, Mich. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Bartolo Landez Sr.

KENDALLVILLE — Bartolo M. "Bart" Landez Sr., 69, of Kendallville, died at 12:12 p.m. Monday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been ill since May 1994.

He was born in Pharr, Texas, July 10, 1928, to Encarnation "Shawn" and Augustina Moreno (Brown) Landez. In March 1955, in Angola, he married Vermaldean Mae Anderson. She survives.

Mr. Landez moved to Kendallville 40 years ago from Fort Wayne. He retired in 1993 as a machine operator at No-Sag after 35 years. He served in the Texas State Guard, was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, and a past member of the Kendallville Eagles Lodge.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Yolanda Merriam of Rome City, Esther Fischer of Avilla, and Connie Teeple of LaOtto; five sons, Oscar Landez of Irving, Texas, Bartholomew Landez of Hudson, and Bart A. Landez and Felix Landez, both of Kendallville; four sisters, Tacha Longorin, Lola Quesade, Mary Ann Arreolo and Trini Gomez, all of Texas; two brothers, Felix Landez and Maurilio Landez, both of Texas; 22 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Barry on Aug. 9, 1990; three brothers; and one sister.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, with the Rev. Dan Durkin officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation is from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, where the rosary will be recited at 6 p.m.

Preferred memorials are Masses to St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Avilla.

Evening Star, Ind., Jan. 7, 1998 (Cont'd)

Elizabeth Crull

BRYAN, Ohio — Elizabeth Edna Crull, 85, died Monday morning at Community Hospitals of Williams County in Bryan, Ohio.

She was born Feb. 29, 1912, in Bryan to the late Walter and Arleva (Sasser) Yarlott.

She married James Franklin Crull on July 2, 1946, in Bryan, and he died Oct. 6, 1975.

Surviving are four nieces, Dorothy Ledyard of Bryan, Patty Collins of West Plains, Mo., Ruthann McClanahan of West Virginia, and Kathy Wygant of Montpelier, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Hazel Gross, Jessie Ball and Dorothy Levoy; and two brothers, Grover L. Morrison and Walter Morrison.

A graveside service will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in Williams Center Cemetery. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Care of Williams County.

Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Bryan, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Annetta Gaff Smith**, 93, died Tuesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Merriam Christian Chapel, Merriam. Calling 2-9 p.m. Thursday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church.

Deaths/Funerals

Florence Forker

ANGOLA — Florence Forker, 85, of Coldwater, Mich., died Wednesday at 5 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a homemaker, a former Angola resident and a member of the Church of God, Angola.

She was born Sept. 12, 1912, in Steuben County to the late Joseph and Lavern (Fry) Gannon.

Surviving are two sons, Paul Forker of South Milford and Michael Forker of LaFayette, Ga.; two daughters, Shirley and Sharon Lawrence of Coldwater; 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Cyrus Forker, in 1979.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. Terry Larimore officiating. Burial will be in Lake Gage Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Church of God, Angola.

Martha Moss

BRYAN, Ohio — Martha Elizabeth Moss, 81, died Wednesday morning at her Bryan, Ohio, residence.

She retired from Bryan Custom Plastics and was a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church and its Friendship Circle.

Mrs. Moss was born Oct. 6, 1916, in Napoleon, Ohio, to the late Albert and Catherine (Hartman) Fahringer.

Surviving are one son, Albert W. of Anniston, Ala.; two daughters, Myra Romeo of Franklin, Tenn., and Brenda Seslar of Edgerton, Ohio; one sister, Better Geckler of Muncie; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Victor H. Moss, one grandson and one brother, Richard Fahringer.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-9 p.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Bryan.

Services will be conducted Monday at 1:30 p.m. in Wesley United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Casey Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Fountain Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice Care of Williams County.

Beverlee Tyler

FREMONT — Beverlee Raber Tyler, 76, died Tuesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, following a brief illness.

She lived at Clear Lake and formerly lived in New Castle and Marion. She was a 1939 graduate of New Castle High School. She received a bachelor's degree from Purdue University and a master's degree in education from Ball State University.

Mrs. Tyler taught English and French at the junior high level at schools in Spiceland, Millville, Mount Summit and New Castle. She retired from Mississinewa High School in Gaston in 1995 after a teaching career of 40 years. She was a member of Holy Family Episcopal Church in Angola, Tri Kappa Sorority, Alpha Chi Omega Sorority at Purdue, Agenda Club of New Castle, Steuben County Republican Women, and Angola Woman's Club.

She was born Nov. 16, 1921, in New Castle to the late C.K. and Bess Raber.

She married Joseph R. Tyler on June 25, 1949, and he survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Emily Tyler McCall of Fort Wayne and Bonnie Tyler Cook of Richmond; two sons, John Lindsey of Logansport and Eric Tyler of Clear Lake, Angola; two grandchildren, Scot Lindsey of Dayton, Ohio, and Amanda Lindsey of Knoxville, Tenn.; one sister, Bonnie Raber Lowe of Marco Island, Fla.; one niece, Kyrla Lowe of Fort Wayne; and one nephew, Jeff Lowe of Hamilton, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Mary Alexis McCall.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in Gethsemane Episcopal Church, 111 Ninth St., Marion. Father JP Carver will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Peg Harker, the Rev. Frank H. Moss III, the Rev. Megan Traquair and Deacon Barbara S. Carver.

Interment services will take place Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in South Mound Cemetery, New Castle. Those wishing to attend the interment service may meet at 2 p.m. at Macer-Hall Funeral Home, 600 S. Main St., New Castle, for the procession.

The family will receive friends Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at the Tyler residence.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Indiana, 117 N. Lafayette Blvd., South Bend IN 46601.

Bartolo Landez Sr.

KENDALLVILLE — Bartolo M. "Bart" Landez Sr., 69, of Kendallville, died at 12:12 p.m. Monday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been ill since May 1994.

He was born in Pharr, Texas, July 10, 1928, to Encarnation Shawn and Augustina Moreno (Brown) Landez. In March 1955, in Angola, he married Vermaldean Mae Anderson. She survives.

Mr. Landez moved to Kendallville 40 years ago from Fort Wayne. He retired in 1993 as a machine operator at No-Sag after 35 years. He served in the Texas State Guard, was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, and a past member of the Kendallville Eagles Lodge.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Yolanda Merriam of Rome City, Esther Fischer of Avilla, and Connie Teeple of LaOtto; five sons, Oscar Landez of Irving, Texas, Bartholomew Landez of Hudson, and Bart A. Landez, Lee Landez and Felix Landez, all of Kendallville; four sisters, Tacha Longorin, Lola Quesada, Mary Ann Arreolo and Trina Gomez, all of Texas; two brothers, Felix Landez and Maurilio Landez, both of Texas; 22 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Barry on Aug. 9, 1990; three brothers; and one sister.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, with the Rev. Dan Durkin officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation is from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, where the rosary will be recited at 6 p.m.

Preferred memorials are Masses to St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Avilla.

Evening Star, Thurs., Jan. 8, 1998 (cont'd)

Valerie Brunger

FORT WAYNE — Valerie J. Brunger, 27, died Jan. 2 at 11:26 p.m. in Porter Memorial Hospital.

She was a volunteer for the American Red Cross and lived in Fort Wayne. She graduated from Northrop High School in 1988 and was the recipient of the Outstanding Service Award in 1988 for the Volunteer Connection.

Miss Brunger was born Sept. 16, 1970, in Fort Wayne.

Surviving her are her mother and stepfather, Gloria J. (Atchson) and James P. McCann of Westland, Mich.; her father and stepmother, Ronald N. and Janett Brunger of Garrett; four brothers, Keven M. Brunger of Pretoria, South Africa, Vincent A. Brunger and Damon E. Brunger, both of Fort Wayne, and Bradford D. Brunger of Eulis, Texas; her grandmother, Esther Brunger of Oberlin, Ohio; and three stepbrothers, Shane Collins of Fort Wayne, Thomas A. McCann of La Mirada, Calif., and Brian P. McCann of St. Louis, Mo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, 6131 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne, with calling after noon. The Rev. Rick Blum will officiate, with burial in Concordia Cemetery Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to Turnstone Center for Disabled Children and Adults, or Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Betty White**, 77, died Wednesday at 6:05 a.m. Services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Lakeside Funeral Chapel, Danville, Ill. Calling 5-8 p.m. Friday in Danville.

COLUMBIA CITY — **John D. Holloway**, 96, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there two hours before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **John Wendell Pollitt**, 77, died Wednesday. No services or calling.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Vivian K. Whetstone**, 79, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Agnes Fee

HAMILTON — Agnes Roberta Fee, 97, died Thursday morning in Auburn Health Care Center.

Mrs. Fee was a homemaker and member of the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

She was born Oct. 8, 1900, in Steuben County to the late Jasper and Rosa (Dirrim) Everitt.

She married Charlie Oliver Fee on Nov. 9, 1918, in DeKalb County, and he died in 1936.

Surviving are two sons, Leland of Auburn and Kenneth of Hamilton; two daughters, Ruby (Mrs. Lowell) Stomm of Metz and Marlene (Mrs. Loren) Jinnings of Pleasant Lake; 16 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Ronald, and two sisters, Wava Crowl and Josie Kent.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Services will be conducted Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Edwin Clark officiating. Burial will be in the Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hamilton United Methodist Church, Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department, or a charity of the donor's choice.

Kathleen Hoyer

HUDSON — Kathleen Hoyer, 63, of Las Vegas, died early Thursday morning in Las Vegas, Nev.

Her father, Paul T. Hoyer of Hudson, died Thursday evening.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Paul Hoyer

HUDSON — Paul T. Hoyer, 89, of rural Hudson, died at 11:05 p.m. Thursday in Betz Nursing Home in Auburn.

He was born in Pleasant Lake Sept. 23, 1908, to Arthur and Hattie (Ritchie) Hoyer. On Sept. 25, 1975, in Angola, he married Frances (Grate) Erwin. She survives.

Mr. Hoyer, a lifetime Steuben County resident, was a retired farmer and had worked for International Harvester Co. 27 years. He was a member of Mount Zion United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife are four sons, Jack Hoyer of Ashley, Richard "Dick" Hoyer of Las Vegas, Donald Hoyer of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., and Jim Hoyer of Sturgis, Mich.; a stepson, Herschel L. Erwin of Auburn; a stepdaughter, Carrol Wren of Fort Wayne; a sister, Evelyn Ulrich of New Mexico; 12 grandchildren; seven stepgrandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kathleen Hoyer, who died only hours before on Thursday in Las Vegas; and a son, Billy Hoyer.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Glenda Ray Woodcox officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery, rural Pleasant Lake.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Lois Bruns

ANGOLA — Lois J. Bruns, 65, of Angola, died Wednesday at 12:50 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Bruns was a homemaker and a graduate of South Side High School in Fort Wayne. She had worked as a volunteer secretary for Grace Baptist Academy and managed a currency exchange in Chicago.

She was born Jan. 15, 1932, to the late Edward and Arvada (Lantz) Augsburger.

On Feb. 25, 1950, she married Richard Bruns of Angola, who survives at home.

Also surviving are three sons, Rusty Bruns of Denver, Scott Bruns of North Glenn, Colo., and David Bruns of Merrillville; two daughters, Debra Krieger of Lansing, Ill., and Sandra Sherman of Plano, Texas; a sister, Harriet Mims of Fremont; 15 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Dr. Bryce Augsburger.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in Grace Baptist Church, Angola, with Dr. Bob Koenig officiating. Friends may call at the church during the hour before services. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to Grace Baptist Academy.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **W.R. "Ray" Gasaway**, 86, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Saturday.

Deaths/Funerals

Billy Moore

FREMONT — Billy J. Moore, 55, of Lake James, died Thursday at 9:59 a.m. in Oaklawn Hospital, Marshall, Mich.

Mr. Moore worked as a truck driver for Consolidated Freightways in Fremont for 13 years and as a driver for General Electric in Fort Wayne. He was a member of the Toro Club, Local 414 and the Angola Moose Lodge. He was awarded the Million Mile Safe Driver's Award on Feb. 1, 1997.

He was born April 23, 1942, in Warren County, Ky., to the late Chester A. and Daisy (Carter) Moore.

Surviving are his wife, Marlene, at home; two daughters, Heather Moore and Mary Moore, at home; three sons, Greg Moore of Jarratt, Va., Gary Moore of Oxnard, Calif., and Rick Moore of Conroe, Ky.; five sisters, Virginia Dinwiddle of Jacksonville, Fla., Stella Taylor of Indianapolis, and Emma Henderson, Teresa Meredith and Charlotte Trent, all of Bowling Green, Ky.; two brothers, Gerald Moore of Indianapolis, and Perry Pitchford of Traskwood, Ark.; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. Norman Fuller officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the family.

Frank Overmyer

AUBURN — Frank Overmyer, 48, of Iwo Street in Auburn, died Thursday.

Mr. Overmyer had been an Auburn resident for 10 years. He was a former employee of Domino's Pizza and former jailer at the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Auburn Knights of Columbus.

He was born July 4, 1949, in Fort Wayne.

Surviving are a sister, Joan Lorentzen of Spencerville; four nephews, Chris Lorentzen of Spencerville, Corey Graham of Goshen, Andy Graham of Phoenix, Ariz., and Blake Graham of Dallas, Texas; one niece, Lissa Joanis of Mesa, Ariz.; and friends Ged Corbitt and Harry Tippett, both of Auburn.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn, and Monday after 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn.

Services will begin Monday at 11 a.m. in the church. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

William Leemon

MILFORD — William A. Leemon, 71, died Thursday in Goshen General Hospital.

Mr. Leemon was retired from Western Rubber Co., Goshen. He was a former Milford fire chief and former commander of the Milford post of the American Legion. He was a U.S. Army veteran and member of First Brethren Church.

He was a Milford native, born to Ortie and Martha (Douma) Leemon on Sept. 19, 1926. He was a lifelong Milford area resident. He married Helen June Koch on Oct. 2, 1945, and she preceded him in death in May 1997.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. David (Kathy) Swartz of Hudson and Andrea Hahn of Nappanee; two sons, John Leemon of Nappanee and Dan Leemon of Milford; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one sister, Ruth Hoppus of Milford.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by a son, William, and a sister.

Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. Monday in the Eastlund Funeral Home, Mishler Chapel, with the Rev. Billy Hesketh officiating. Burial will be in Violett Cemetery, Goshen, where graveside services will be conducted by the Milford post of the American Legion.

Visitation will take place Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in the funeral home.

La Von Proxmire

FORT WAYNE — La Von L. Proxmire, 83, died Thursday at 4:20 p.m. in her Fort Wayne home.

She was a homemaker and had lived in Fort Wayne for 53 years. She was a member of Forest Park United Methodist Church.

She was born March 14, 1914, in Wolcottville to the late Hollis J. and Laura (Miser) Farrington.

She married Harry J. Proxmire on Oct. 19, 1935, in Auburn, and he died in 1989.

Surviving her are one daughter, Kathay Lee Van Dyne of Homosassa, Fla.; two grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

There will be no calling. Private services will be conducted at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, Fort Wayne. The Rev. Patrick Fulbright will officiate, with entombment in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

The Evening Star, Mon., Jan. 12, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Nina Snyder

GARRETT — Nina Marie Snyder, 97, died Friday at 10:20 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mrs. Snyder was a homemaker and member of First Baptist Church, Garrett. She had been a Garrett resident since 1962.

She was born July 31, 1900, in Hodunk, Mich., to the late James Franklin and Mabel Louise (James) Sampsel.

She married Clarence W. Snyder on Dec. 25, 1924, in Ligonier and he died in 1959.

Surviving are two sons, Henry of Garrett and William of Greensboro, N.C.; one daughter, Maxine Goebel of Garrett; one brother, Carl Sampsel of Defiance, Ohio; two sisters, Mabel Lash of Rantol, Ill., and Mary Lucille Powell of Kendallville; five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

One brother, Reginald Sampsel, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Embrey Cemetery.

Roger Arnold

KENDALLVILLE — Roger D. Arnold, 52, of Kendallville, died at 6:45 a.m. Saturday in his home. He had been ill one week.

He was born in Minnie, Ky., March 29, 1945, to Bun and Alice (Moore) Arnold. His mother survives in Kendallville. On Nov. 16, 1968, in Clintwood, Va., he married Mary Lou Simpson. She also survives.

Mr. Arnold moved to this area from Drift, Ky., 22 years ago. He had been a machinist at Dexter Axle in Albion since 1990. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War and a member of the American Legion.

Surviving with his wife and mother are a daughter, Loretta Reeve of Auburn; a son, Danny Arnold of Kendallville; a sister, Belinda Arnold of Kendallville; three brothers, Jimmy Arnold, Randal Arnold and Ross Arnold, all of Kendallville; and three grandchildren, Christopher Reeve, Jeremy Arnold and Kyle Reeve.

Military graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Lake View Cemetery, with the Rev. Bill Johnson of New Hope Baptist Church officiating.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Mary Young

GARRETT —Mary Ruth Young, 82, died Saturday at 12:27 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mrs. Young was a homemaker and member of the First Baptist Church in Garrett.

She was born Nov. 23, 1915, in Garrett to the late Oren "O.P." and Mary Miller.

She married Riley D. Young on Oct. 21, 1939, in Auburn and he died Aug. 11, 1975.

Surviving her are one daughter, Peggy Stone of Garrett; one son, Dean Young of Middleton; one grandson, Donald Stone of Garrett; three granddaughters, Christina Stone of Garrett, Debora Crocker of Indianapolis, and Dianna Chapman of Middleton; and seven great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, George Miller and Richard Miller, and one sister, Dorothy Miller, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the First Baptist Church, Garrett, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First Baptist Church, Garrett.

Evening Star, Mon., Jan. 12. 1998 (cont'd)

Kathleen Hoyer

HUDSON — Memorial services were held today at 11 a.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, for Kathleen S. "Kathy" Hoyer, 64, formerly of Hudson, who died Thursday morning in Las Vegas, a few hours before her father, Paul Hoyer of Hudson, died. The services were held in conjunction with services for her father with the Rev. Glenda Ray Woodcock officiating. Burial was in Mount Zion Cemetery, rural Pleasant Lake.

She was born in Fremont Nov. 6, 1933, to Paul and Muriel (Replogle) Hoyer.

Miss Hoyer had lived in Las Vegas one year. Prior to that she had lived three years in Pensacola, Fla., and 15 years in Denver and Colorado Springs, Colo. She had been senior secretary for the Colorado Civil Service for many years.

Surviving are her stepmother, Frances Hoyer of Hudson; four brothers, Jack Hoyer of Ashley, Richard Hoyer of Las Vegas, Donald Hoyer of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., and Jim Hoyer of Sturgis, Mich.; a stepbrother, Herschel Erwin of Auburn; and a stepsister, Carrol Wren of Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Harlan A. "Bud" Knafel**, 81, died Saturday. Services at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today.

AVILLA — **Thomas S. Spohr**, 46, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla. Calling from 5-9 p.m. today in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, and one hour before services a the church on Tuesday.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Harold Baker**, 71, died Saturday. Private memorial services at a later date. No calling.

The Evening Star, Tues., Jan. 13, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Janet Cluster

AUBURN — Janet S. Cluster, 59, of Auburn, died Monday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was employed at the Auburn Kroger store in the produce department for three years.

In 1972 she married her husband, Jack T. Cluster, in Uniondale, and he survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are two daughters, Susan Bunn of Garrett and Candace Cluster of Chicago; a son, Anthony Warner of Auburn; two stepdaughters, Jacklyn Spencer of Butler and Susan Schieck of Waterloo; two stepsons, Tom Cluster and James Cluster, both of Butler; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; four sisters, Ruth Arnold of Uniondale, Lois Shearer of Markle, Joyce Roberts of Bluffton, and Carol Day of Huntington; and three brothers, Darrell Gilbert of Bluffton, Lowell Gilbert of Uniondale, and David Gilbert of Middleton.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Reeta (Dowty) Gilbert.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with the Rev. Harvey L. Huntley Jr., of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Jane Condon

INVERNESS, Fla. — Mary Jane Condon, 73, of Inverness, Fla., died Tuesday at her residence under the care of her family and hospice.

She was a ward clerk at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, and a member of the Auburn First United Methodist Church, the Elks Lodge 1978 Auxiliary and Order of Eastern Star Chapter 103.

She was born Oct. 14, 1924, in Auburn to Cecil and Nora (Schaeffer) Mark. She lived in DeKalb County for over 65 years before moving to Florida five years ago.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Sanford H. Condon of Inverness; two daughters, Sandra Slick of Tampa, Fla., and Wendy Hupner of Inverness; three brothers, Kenton Mark of Kinderhook, Mich., and Robert and Don Mark, both of Avilla; three grandchildren, Adam, Bryan and Gregory; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home of Inverness with Rev. L. B. Thomason, hospice chaplain, officiating. Friends may call Thursday from 6 p.m. until the time of service.

Interment will take place at a later date in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Children's Fund, 3350 W. Audubon Park Path, Lecanto, FL 34461.

Cecil Gettys

WATERLOO — Cecil Thomas Gettys, 84, of South Wayne Street, Waterloo, died Tuesday at 8:50 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Gettys was an inspector and tester for the Indiana Highway Department for 14 years, retiring in 1978. Prior to that he was a DeKalb County farmer and a rural milk hauler.

He was a member of the Butler Church of Christ.

He was born Aug. 25, 1913, in Ottawa, Ohio, to Thomas R. and Nellie L. (Ladd) Gettys, both now deceased.

He married Pauline Bonecutter in 1940 and she died in 1968.

On March 25, 1972, he married Alta L. Musser Kneubuhler at the Waterloo Church of Christ. She survives in Waterloo.

Also surviving are one son, Lynn Thomas Gettys of Monroeville; one stepson, Lyle E. Kneubuhler of Auburn; three stepdaughters, Lora E. Shaw of Dayton, Ohio; Jo Ann Hart of Waterloo; and Phyllis M. Sattison of Waterloo; a sister, Mildred Covitt of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, 16 stepgrandchildren, 18 stepgreat-grandchildren and one stepgreat-great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by a son, Donald Ray Gettys; a stepson, Dale R. Kneubuhler; a brother, Harold Dale Gettys; and a sister, Lenore Tancey.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Frank Weller and Wayne Michael of the Butler Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Children First Center, Auburn, or the Butler Church of Christ.

Florence Forker

ANGOLA — Florence Forker, 85, of Coldwater, Mich., died Wednesday, Jan. 7, at 5 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a homemaker, a former Angola resident and a member of the Church of God, Angola.

She was born Sept. 12, 1912, in Steuben County to the late Joseph and Lavern (Fry) Gannon.

Surviving are two sons, Paul Forker of South Milford and Michael Forker of LaFayette, Ga.; two daughters, Shirley Lawrence of Coldwater and Sharon Infield of Hamilton; 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Cyrus Forker, in 1979.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at Klink Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. Terry Larimore officiating. Burial was in Lake Gage Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Church of God, Angola.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Jan. 15, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Charlotte Aspel

GARRETT — Charlotte R. Aspel, 89, died Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Mrs. Aspel was a homemaker and formerly lived on South Cowen Street in Garrett. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett and its rosary society and Harvest House. She was also a member of the Sacred Heart Home Auxiliary.

She was born April 26, 1908, in Ege to the late Joseph and Martha (Snyder) Sobraske.

She married Edward J. Aspel on Nov. 14, 1931, in Garrett, and he died in August 1970.

Surviving her are one daughter, Margaret Henry of Ventnor, N.J.; one son, Raymond of Lockport, Ill.; one sister, Catherine Deardorff of Zionsville; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One sister, Marie Shoudel, preceded her in death.

Arrangements are pending at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Chancey Ringler

ST. JOE — Chancey M. Ringler, 81, died today at 1:20 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Ringler was a retired Concord Township farmer and lived on County Road 51, St. Joe. He owned an operated C.M. Ringler & Sons Sheep Dipping Business from 1939 to 1967, and owned and operated St. Joe Camper Sales from 1969 to 1997. He was a member of the Independent Business Association and the Southeast DeKalb County Chamber of Commerce in St. Joe.

He was born Jan. 22, 1916, in Valentine in LaGrange County to the late Francis and Laura (Saylor) Ringler.

He married Wanneta Wilson in 1937 and she died in 1956. He married Marie Getts in 1957 and she died in 1965. He married Juanita E. Mitchener Johnson on Dec. 19, 1965, and she survives.

Surviving him are five sons, Wayne of Florida, Sam of Mongo, Carl of Fawn, Mich., Max of Fremont and Raymond of Stanton, Ky.; two daughters, Bonnie Terry of LaGrange and Betty Ashbrook of Fremont; two stepsons, Nolan Johnson of Auburn and Bruce Johnson of St. Joe; two stepdaughters, Doris Shoof of St. Joe and Ruth Searcy of New Harmony; three brothers, Paul of Paulding, Ohio, Warren of Auburn, and Don of Wolcottville; five sisters, Violet Wood of LaGrange, Nila Burkey of Wolcottville, Helen Busk of Reed City, Mich., and Joan Rossman and Laura Boudish, both of Sturgis, Mich.; 38 grandchildren, seven stepgrandchildren, and 64 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sons, Tommy, Johnny and Jerry, three brothers, one sister and four grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jerry Thomas of the Concord United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery, LaGrange.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Concord United Methodist Church.

Vaughn Sloniker

KENDALLVILLE — Vaughn B. Sloniker, 90, of Kendallville, died at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in his residence.

He was born in Olney, Ill., Oct. 11, 1907, to Joseph and Anna (Miles) Sloniker. He and his wife, Wilma, were married Nov. 17, 1927, in Wilsner, Ohio. She survives.

Mr. Sloniker retired from International Harvester Co. after 42 years. He was a member of South Milford Church of Christ.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Phyllis Bilger of Fort Wayne, and Marjorie Miller of Kendallville; a sister, Helen Kochl of Butler; six grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Freeda Strait, Verda Schrock and Ruth Courtesis; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., with Michael D. Booher officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to South Milford Church of Christ.

Evening Star, Thurs, Jan. 15, 1998 (cont'd)

Oakley DeLancey

ANGOLA — Oakley DeLancey, 84, of Angola, died Tuesday at 5:45 p.m. at his home in Angola.

Mr. DeLancey was a farmer and a member of the Lake Gage Congregational Church.

He was born Sept. 20, 1913, in Steuben County to the late Ralph and Letha (German) DeLancey.

On July 29, 1930, he married Blanche (Halsey) DeLancey, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Robert Lee DeLancey and William Charles DeLancey, both of Angola; a daughter, Connie Lou Kuhn of Fremont; 17 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Phyllis June Goudy, in 1982.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday in the funeral home with the Rev. Stephen Altman officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Hospital Hospice and Home Health Care.

Genevieve Henry

KENDALLVILLE — Genevieve E. Henry, 92, of Kendallville, died at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla. She had been in failing health six months.

She was born in Hudson June 5, 1905, to Bert and Lucretia (Failor) Libey. On Nov. 4, 1924, in Kendallville, she married Glen Henry. He preceded her in death Sept. 5, 1963.

Mrs. Henry was a homemaker and member of Trinity Church United Methodist and the Alpha Chapter of Tri Kappa.

Surviving are a son, George B. Henry of Auburn; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, John Henry; a daughter, Judy Ann Root; and a brother, Duane Libey.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville, with the Rev. Stevan R. Haiflich officiating.

There is no visitation.

Preferred memorials are to Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Bessie Handshoe**, 62, died Wednesday. Services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Stroh United Baptist Church, Stroh. Calling 7-9 p.m. today in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, and after 1 p.m. Friday at the church.

KENDALLVILLE — **Gerald "Hop" Hosted**, 69, died Monday in Texas following an auto accident. Services at 2 p.m. Monday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-9 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Fri., Jan. 16, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Eva Kiles

ANGOLA — Eva P. Kiles, 91, of Fort Wayne, died Monday at her home.

Mrs. Kiles, a homemaker, was born Aug. 18, 1906, in Angola to the late Earl and Gay (West) Cline.

Surviving are a son, Robert Kiles of Fort Wayne; a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Stanley Lahnum of Angola; two grandchildren, Greg Lahnum of Fremont and Stacey Lahnum of Angola; and a great-grandson, Sean Lahnum of Fremont.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Allison, in 1991.

Private services were conducted Wednesday at Tom Mungovan Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola.

Herschel Daugherty

ROCKFORD, Ohio — Herschel C. Daugherty, 91, of Rockford, Ohio, died Thursday at 4:52 p.m. in Caylor-Nichol Medical Clinic, Bluffton.

Mr. Daugherty was a retired farmer and worked at Mersmen Bros. in Celina, Ohio.

He was born July, 1, 1906, in Mercer, Ohio, to Carl and Lula Daugherty.

On May 5, 1926, he married Naomi Bailey. She preceded him in death on May 5, 1982.

Mr. Daugherty is survived by two daughters, Nancy (Mrs. Clifford) Sommers of Waterloo, and Marilyn (Mrs. Rick) Giere of Celina; five grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Also preceding him in death were his parents and two brothers, Paul and Russell.

Services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday in Ketcham-Ripley Funeral Home of Rockford, Ohio.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4:30 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery at Rockford.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Thelma Strouse Daniel**, 102, died Wednesday. Private graveside services today in Jewish Cemetery, Columbia City. Calling 4-8 p.m. today in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City.

Charlotte Aspel

GARRETT — Charlotte R. Aspel, 89, died Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Mrs. Aspel was a homemaker and formerly lived on South Cowen Street in Garrett. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett and its rosary society and Harvest House. She also was a member of the Sacred Heart Home Auxiliary.

She was born April 26, 1908, in Ege to the late Joseph and Martha (Snyder) Sobraske.

She married Edward J. Aspel on Nov. 14, 1931, in Garrett, and he died in August 1970.

Surviving her are one daughter, Margaret Henry of Ventnor, N.J.; one son, Raymond of Lockport, Ill.; one sister, Catherine Deardorff of Zionsville; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One sister, Marie Shoudel, preceded her in death.

Services were conducted today at 1 p.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, with Father Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Lockport, Ill.

Memorial contributions may be given to Masses at the church or St. Joseph Catholic School.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, was in charge of arrangements.

Mamie Lorish

LAGRANGE — Mamie Lorish, 89, of Goshen and formerly of LaGrange County, died Thursday in ExtendaCare in Goshen.

She was born May 31, 1908, in Garrett, to Edward and Emma (Clawson) Putt. She first married Jay C. Allen in Stroh. He preceded her in death on July 25, 1958. On Aug. 31, 1962, in Stroh, she then married Richard J. Lorish, who preceded her in death Jan. 25, 1992.

Mrs. Lorish was retired from Kirsch Co. in Sturgis, Mich. She was a member of Stroh Church of God.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. William (Charlette) Connelly of LaGrange, Mrs. Ralph (Helen) Schannen of Estero, Fla., Naoma Taylor of Greenwood, Mrs. James (Marian) Mullinix of Angola, and Mrs. Maurice (Lois Jean) Smith of Goshen; two stepsons, Charles Lorish of DeWitt, Mich., and Michael Day-Schomberg of Ontario, Canada; 29 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, Jay Coleman "Tyke" Allen on June 4, 1992.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Fruriptmay Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Lloyd Jury officiating. Burial will be in Wright Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 2-5 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Stroh Church of God.

Deaths/Funerals

Anna 'Maggie' Lett

ANGOLA — Anna M. "Maggie" Lett, 78, of Angola, died Friday at 10:19 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Lett moved to Angola in 1974 from Warsaw. She was a homemaker and also had managed the Lords Dress Shop in Warsaw and the Angola Holiday Inn restaurant.

She attended the Pleasant View Church of Christ. She was a member of the Steuben County Republican Women's Club and Pokagon No. 163 Ladies Auxiliary-Fraternal Order of Police, and secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary of State Fraternal Order of Police.

She was born Aug. 21, 1919, in Celina, Ohio, to the late George and Sylvia (Coats) Kinnison.

On May 10, 1975, she married former Angola Police Chief and Mayor Gerald Lett, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a daughter, Jean Ham of Angola; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in deathby her first husband, Claude Lett, in 1967, and by two brothers, William and LeRoy Kinnison.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with Tim Seevers officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Silver Lake, Kosciusko County.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Margaretta Yarde

GARRETT — Margaretta Jane Yarde, 71, of Garrett, died at 4:20 p.m. Friday at her home.

On Aug. 29, 1926, in Garrett, she was born to John and Florence (Simon) Bradin. On June 29, 1947, she married Eugene Yarde in Garrett. He survives.

She was a lifetime Garrett resident.

Mrs. Yarde owned and operated the Yarde Real Estate Agency in Garrett, and with her husband started and managed the Blue Moon Drive-in in Garrett from 1953 to 1971, and the Mile Corner Gallery Shooting Range where she also managed the shooting league.

She was a member of the Community Church of Corunna and the Easter Star in Garrett, and she was a former Kaiser Township trustee.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons, Dave and Dan Yarde, both of Garrett; one sister, Ann Warner of Columbia, S.C.; one brother, John Bradin of Huntington; and two grandchildren, Justin and Dakota Yarde, both of Garrett.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo with the Rev. Richard Pickard officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

Calling is 2 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Allen County Hospice or the Community Church of Corunna.

Ronald Pufahl

ANGOLA — Ronald W. Pufahl, 73, of Angola, died at 2:55 a.m. Friday at his home.

On Feb. 24, 1924, in Rhinelander, Wis., he was born to William and Augusta Pufahl. On April 26, 1946, he married Phyllis Udkler, who survives.

He was president of Deister Concentrator Co. in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Pufahl was a veteran, and a member of the Angola Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Wayne, the Mizpah Shrine Temple, Pokagon Shrine Club, Phi Beta Kappa and American International Certified Public Accountants.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, David Pufahl of Fort Wayne, and Aaron Pufahl of Angola; two daughters, Roni Rae Dye of Orlando, Fla., and Rebecca Pufahl of Fort Wayne; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Ruth M. Sherman**, 79, of Howe, died Friday in Columbia Blake Medical Center, Bradenton, Fla. Funeral arrangements are pending at Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange.

KIMMELL — **Ruth E. Cress**, 86, of Kimmell, died Friday in Valley View Health Care Center in Elkhart. Services at 11:30 a.m. Monday at Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home in Ligonier. Calling is at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the funeral home until the services.

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Wolford

GARRETT — Richard E. Wolford, 80, died Saturday at 4:55 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Wolford served as a conductor on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for 37 years, retiring in 1978. He was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge and First Baptist Church in Garrett. He lived on South Walsh Street in Garrett.

He was born Aug. 13, 1917, in Hicksville, Ohio, to the late Forrest E. and Claudia (Saylor) Wolford.

He married Adella H. Lobdell on Aug. 25, 1935, in Hicksville, and she died Dec. 5, 1993.

Surviving him are one son, Mars Wolford of Fort Wayne; one sister, Louella Yarger of Edgerton, Ohio; one brother, Vance Wolford of Florida; and two grandchildren, Leisa Wolford of Indianapolis and Ryan Wolford of Fort Wayne.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the First Baptist Church, Garrett, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. will officiate, with burial in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Eva Kiles

ANGOLA — Eva P. Kiles, 91, of Fort Wayne, died Jan. 12 at Renaissance Village, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Kiles, a homemaker, was born Aug. 18, 1906, in Angola to the late Earl and Gay (West) Cline.

Surviving are a son, Robert Kiles of Fort Wayne; a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Stanley Lahnum of Angola; two grandchildren, Greg Lahnum of Fremont and Stacey Lahnum of Angola; and a great-grandson, Sean Lahnum of Fort Wayne.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Allison, in 1991.

Private services were conducted Wednesday at Tom Mungovan Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola.

obits for news-sun and star

Nellie Lloyd

HUNTERTOWN — Nellie B. Simon Lloyd, 86, of rural Huntertown, died at 3:06 p.m. Saturday in the emergency room at Cameron Memorial Hospital in Angola, where she was taken after suffering an apparent heart attack while visiting her son in Fremont.

She was born in Churubusco June 17, 1911, to William and Fannie (Duncan) Brandon. On June 7, 1941, she married William R. Simon. He preceded her in death July 20, 1980. In 1984, she married Arthur Lloyd and he preceded her in death in 1985.

Mrs. Lloyd was a 1928 graduate of Churubusco High School and received her bachelor's degree from Manchester College, and later her master's degree in education from Ball State Teacher's College. She was well known in the area as an elementary school teacher, having taught in Collins, Churubusco, Columbia City, Huntertown and Fort Wayne. She retired from Washington Center School in 1974, following a teaching career of 35 years. She attended Huntertown United Methodist Church and was a member of its United Methodist Women. She was also a member of the Toastmasters Club in Fort Wayne where she earned the distinguished Toastmasters Award at age 80. She was a member of the Purdue Homemakers, the Widows Club, the National Retired Teachers' Association and the Indiana Retired Teachers Association.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Don (Sandra) Irwin of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Gary (Sheri) Johnson of Warsaw; a son and daughter-in-law, James A. and Denise Simon of Fremont; and eight grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and two husbands, she was preceded in death by a brother, Clint Brandon; and two sisters, Fern Jones and Ruth Luther.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Huntertown United Methodist Church with the Rev. Max Smith, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. today and 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services on Wednesday in the church.

Robert Wagner

KENDALLVILLE — Robert E. Wagner, 61, of Kendallville, died at 12:59 p.m. Friday in an auto accident in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Kendallville Nov. 1, 1936, to Earl and Sadie (Mapes) Wagner. On Aug. 21, 1965, in Auburn, he married Rose Mary Valenziano. She preceded him in death April 21, 1989.

Mr. Wagner, a lifetime area resident, was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran. He had been employed by WKJG-TV in Fort Wayne in sales and marketing for more than 30 years. He was a member of the Catholic church.

Surviving are a stepdaughter, Mrs. Cordell (Pam) Combs of Wawaka; a stepson, Randy Nesbitt of Wawaka; a half-sister, Mary Clark of Kendallville; a half-brother, Donald Gillespie of Ligonier; five grandchildren, Marjorie Fanning, Joseph Sibert, Jennifer Sibert, Nicolette Nesbitt and Kate Nesbitt; and a great-grandchild, Oliver Fanning.

He was preceded in death by two half-brothers and one half-sister.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Daniel Durkin of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, officiating. Burial will be in South Milford Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Charles T. Brown Jr.**, 80, died Sunday at 7:05 p.m. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there from 9 a.m. until services on Tuesday.

AVILLA — **Tammi Lyn Riecke,** 35, died Saturday in a traffic accident. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla. Visitation is from noon-3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

HOWE — **Ruth Mae Sherman**, 79, died Friday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Lima Presbyterian Church, Howe. Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Deaths/Funerals

Leda Crouse

ANGOLA — Leda D. Crouse, 94, of Angola, died Sunday at 7:18 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Crouse was a former teacher.

She was born March 24, 1903, in Hillsdale County, Mich., to the late Ezra Smith and Mary Emily (Esterline) Jenkins.

Surviving are a son, Gary (and wife, Norma) Towers of Angola; 14 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Rush Towers, in 1951; her second husband, Foster Crouse, in 1967; and two sons, Donald and Gayle Towers.

Friends may call Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home with Dr. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in California Cemetery, Branch County, Mich.

Memorial donations may be made to diabetes research.

Beverly Franzman

VENICE, Fla. — Beverly J. Franzman, 78, died Sunday in Venice, Fla.

She was a winter resident of Venice for 14 years and spent summers at Lake James, Angola. She attended Grace United Methodist Church, Venice, and was a member of the Women of the Moose in Angola, Steuben County Women's Club and Elks Lodge in Angola. She was an associate member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Venice.

Surviving her are her husband, Elmer J. Franzman of Venice; two sons, Terry Allen Franzman of Butler and Steven Ross Franzman of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Sandra Joan Haywood of Evansville; and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted in Angola in May.

Farley Funeral Homes and Crematory-Venice Chapel are in charge of arrangements.

Cletus McGrath

WATERLOO — Cletus P. McGrath, 77, died Monday at 1:47 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He retired from the U.S. Marine Corps in 1963 with 22 years of service, and was an independent life insurance agent. He lived in Waterloo.

Mr. McGrath was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, and the American Legion in Fort Wayne. He was state commandant of the Department of Indiana Marine Corps League.

He was born July 14, 1920, in Greenleaf, Kan., to Henry and Mary (O'Donnell) McGrath.

He married Paula Slentz on Dec. 22, 1994, in Waterloo, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Jackie McGrath of San Diego, Calif.; one stepson, Steven Slentz of Waterloo; one stepdaughter, Melanie Hoehn of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one brother, Clifford of Greenleaf; three sisters, Cecilia Jewell of Concordia, Kan., Sister Irene McGrath of Kansas City, Kan., and Mary Lou Laue of Auburn, Kan.; and three stepgrandsons, Kyle and Skylar Hoehn, and Lincoln Slentz.

One brother, Patrick, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-9 p.m. in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A wake service will take place Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to Masses at St, Michael's Catholic Church, or to the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Lowell Mason

EDGERTON, Ohio — Lowell F. Mason, 86, died early Sunday in the VA Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was a lifelong area resident and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. He farmed and operated Mason Gravel Pit for 38 years. He was a member of the Hicksville, Ohio, post of Veterans of Foreign Wars and John D. Smith Post 10 of the American Legion in Edgerton.

Mr. Mason was born Jan. 4, 1912, near Farmer, Ohio, to the late George and Orpha (Ensign) Mason.

He married Ruth E. Brenner on July 2, 1938, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Betty Tustison of Edgerton; one son, Lowell D. Mason of Edgerton; one sister, Naoma Wortkoetter of Bryan, Ohio; and four grandchildren.

Three brothers preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Tony Brooks officiating. Burial will take place in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton, with graveside services by John D. Smith American Legion Post 10.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Parkinson Foundation.

Irene Lambright

MIDDLEBURY — Irene L. Lambright, 79, who was injured in a fire Jan. 4 in her home in Middlebury, died Saturday. Her husband died Jan. 9 from his injuries.

She was born in LaGrange County Nov. 6, 1918. On Feb. 4, 1940. she married John J. Lambright.

Mrs. Lambright was a homemaker and member of First Mennonite Church in Middlebury.

Surviving are two daughters, Theora Graber of Middlebury, and Dorcas Carter of Indianapolis; a son, Loren Lambright of Conroe, Texas; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; four sisters; and two brothers.

Funeral services were held today in Middlebury.

Miller Funeral Home, Middlebury, was in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Tues., Jan. 20, 1998 (cont'd)

Janice McLain

ORLAND — Janice E. (Friend) McLain, 56, of Orland, died at 2:25 a.m. Monday in Life Care Center of LaGrange.

She was born March 1, 1941, in Sturgis, Mich., to Maynard J. and Pearl (Finley) Friend Sr.

Mrs. McLain, a lifetime Orland area resident, was a homemaker. She attended Orland Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Kevin (Dana) Stayner of Rome City; a son, Chester D. McLain of Orland; a brother, Guy F. Friend of Orland; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Frank J. Friend, Maynard J. Friend, and Albert M. Friend.

Funeral services will be at a later date. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

There will be no visitation.

Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange is in charge of arrangements.

John Burkhart

NORTH MANCHESTER — John C. Burkhart, 86, died at 8 p.m. Monday in Hospice Care by the Sea in Boca Ratan, Fla.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson.

Eugene Scherer

FORT WAYNE — Eugene A. Scherer, 81, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday in St. Joseph Medical Center.

A Fort Wayne native, Mr. Scherer retired from General Electric after 41 years.

Surviving are his wife, Alice; two sons, Bruce Scherer and Tim Scherer, both of Fort Wayne; a brother, Gerald Scherer of Adams Lake, Wolcottville; and three grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Henry Catholic Church, 2929 E. Paulding Road. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today in D.O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home, 6301 Fairfield Ave., and 30 minutes before services at the church on Wednesday.

Prayer services will be at 4:30 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are Masses to the church or to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen.

Elnor Moughler

BUTLER — Elnor J. Moughler, 79, died Monday at 9:30 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

Mrs. Moughler lived in Butler and worked at Syncrotch in Hicksville, Ohio, for 10 years.

She was born Aug. 1, 1918, in Butler to the late Eber and Clara (Healy) Oberlin.

She married Roy O. Moughler on Sept. 22, 1935, in Wilmington Township, and he died March 8, 1988.

Surviving her are one son, Max L. of Butler; one daughter-in-law, Sally (Wetoskey) Moughler of Butler; two brothers, Harry Oberlin of Millersburg and Robert Oberlin of Butler; five sisters, Alma Ball, Annabelle Hullinger, Betty DeLong and Martha Curcio, all of Butler, and Mary Short of Edgerton, Ohio; three granddaughters, Tari Dove, Kathy Collingsworth and Suzanne Ross, all of Butler; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, David, on Feb. 8, 1993, and two brothers, Roscoe and Howard Oberlin.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dale Rabineau of Christ's Church, Butler, officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, Wed., Jan. 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Virgil Smith

AUBURN — Virgil F. Smith, 86, died Tuesday at 9 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Smith was a retired Jackson Township farmer and a member of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, Waterloo. He lived in Auburn.

He was born April 1, 1911, in Rock Island, Texas, to the late Jacob and Lillian (Vachon) Smith.

He married Pauline Warstler on Dec. 18, 1935, in Auburn, and she died Jan. 29, 1986. He married Goldie Zerkle on Jan. 2, 1988, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Melvin Smith of Granger; one daughter, Marilyn (Mrs. John) Schaub of San Diego, Calif.; two stepsons, Dwight Zerkle of Waterloo and Delbert Zerkle of Courtland, N.Y.; one stepdaughter, Karen Slone of Butler; one brother, Richard Smith of Waterloo; three sisters, Velma Davis of Fort Wayne and June Gafken and Georgie Muzzillo, both of Auburn; nine grandchildren, five stepgrandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, two daughters, two brothers, one sister and one half-sister.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Brian Wilcox, pastor of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Gerald Fuller

NOEL, Mo. — Gerald Lee Fuller, 50, died Jan. 5 at 11:52 p.m. in Washington Regional Hospital, Fayetteville, Ark., after a sudden illness.

He was a driver for Q Carrier, based in Savage, Minn. He lived in the Noel area for 13 years, moving there from Hicksville, Ohio. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Nazarene Church.

Mr. Fuller was born March 1, 1946, in Garrett.

He married Vicki McFeters on March 10, 1965, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Ronald Edward Fuller of Hamilton; three daughters, Redena Gayle Fuller of Bryan, Ohio, Cynthia Fuller of Garrett, and Jalinda Cathleen Freeman of Noel; one brother, Steven Michael Fuller of Auburn; one sister, Patricia Keplar of Noel; and eight grandchildren.

Services were conducted Jan. 9 in Ozark Funeral Home, Anderson, Mo. Burial was in Butler Creek Cemetery, Sulphur Springs, Ark.

Elnor Moughler

BUTLER — Elnor J. Moughler, 79, died Monday at 9:30 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

Mrs. Moughler lived in Butler and worked at Syncrotch in Hicksville, Ohio, for 10 years.

She was born Aug. 1, 1918, in Butler to the late Eber and Clara (Healy) Oberlin.

She married Ray O. Moughler on Aug. 5, 1939, in Wilmington Township, and he died March 8, 1988.

Surviving her are one son, Max L. of Butler; one daughter-in-law, Sally (Wetoskey) Moughler of Auburn; two brothers, Harry Oberlin of Millersburg and Robert Oberlin of Butler; five sisters, Alma Ball, Annabelle Hullinger, Betty DeLong and Martha Curcio, all of Butler, and Mary Short of Edgerton, Ohio; three granddaughters, Tari Dove, Kathy Collingsworth and Suzanne Ross, all of Butler; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, David, on Feb. 8, 1993, and two brothers, Roscoe and Howard Oberlin.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dale Rabineau of Christ's Church, Butler, officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Orva M. Yoder**, 81, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Shore Mennonite Church, Shipshewana. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in Fruriip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Jan. 22, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Leonard Dobson

AUBURN — Leonard Dobson, 73, died Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Dobson lived on Peterson Street in Auburn. He retired from Auburn Foundry in 1985, after 22 years of service.

He was born Feb. 18, 1924, in Vest, Ky., the son of George and Eliza Jane Dobson. His parents preceded him in death.

He married Mayoma Ritchie on Feb. 11, 1949, in Hindman, Ky. She survives.

Also surviving his are two sons, Willis Dobson of Auburn and Charlie Dobson of Garrett; three daughters, Girlie Brill, Mable Beber and Pauline Krider, all of Auburn; one brother, Leslie Dobson of Hazard, Ky., one sister, Martha Fugate of Hazard, Ky.; six grandchildren, Sandra Casselman, Ronnie Dobson, Randy Brewer, Troy Krider, Isiah Dobson and LaShae Dobson, all of Auburn; and two great-grandchildren, Logan and Layton Casselman of Auburn.

He was preceded in death by five brothers and three sisters.

Services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Lee Combs officiating.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

William Workman Sr.

FORT WAYNE — William C. Workman Sr., 74, died Tuesday at 10:12 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He retired in 1981 as a captain on the Fort Wayne Fire Department after 30 years of service, and was assistant state fire marshal, chief inspector, from 1961 to 1966. He lived in Fort Wayne and was a member of Memorial Baptist Church. He served in the U.S. Navy Sea Bees during World War II.

Mr. Workman was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1421, Disabled American Veterans and AMVETS of Louisville, Ky., and Fort Wayne Fire Fighters IFFA Local 28.

He was born July 4, 1923, in Fort Wayne to the late Charles and Minnie A. (Schmidt) Workman.

He married his wife, Betty A., on Aug. 8, 1947, in Fort Wayne, and she survives.

Also surviving are four sons, William C. Jr. of Auburn, Rollie A and John B., both of Fort Wayne, and Steven M. of Lemon Grove, Calif.; four daughters, Diane K. Shields and Pamela J. Harris, both of Anderson, Jeanne L. Workman of Fort Wayne, and Lori E. David of Grabill; one brother, Dudley of Leesburg, Fla.; 23 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor William Hoerger officiating. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne, with military services by VFW Post 1421.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Fort Wayne Fire Fighters Museum.

Doris D. Shank

ANGOLA — Doris D. Shank, 92, of Angola, died today at 5:35 a.m. at Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Mrs. Shank was a homemaker, a member of the Angola Calvary Lutheran Church and a former member of Questers.

She was born Feb. 3, 1905, to the late George John and Amelia (Brauer) Page in Everett, Wash.

She married Emmet "Del" Shank on Dec. 18, 1926. He preceded her in death on Feb. 14, 1981.

She is survived by a son, James (and wife Rebecca) Shank of Moncure, N.C.; two daughters, Jeraldyn L. (and husband Lloyd) West, of Burr Oak, Mich., and Jacquelyn (and husband Gene) Budd of Hillsdale, Mich.; 14 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a grandson, Peter Shank; a great-granddaughter, Amy Capman; a brother, Raymond Page; and a sister, Irma Fowler.

Memorial services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, with the Rev. Donald E. Meyers officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

There will be no calling. Memorial donations may be made to Calvary Lutheran Church. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Evening Star, Thurs, Jan. 22, 1998 (cont'd)

John Brewer Jr.

SYRACUSE — John W. Brewer Jr., 71, of Syracuse, died at 1 a.m. Tuesday in Goshen General Hospital.

He was born April 2, 1926, in Chicago to John W. and Helen (Kimbell) Brewer Sr. On Dec. 18, 1961, he married Mary Lou Paradis. She survives.

Mr. Brewer moved from South Bend to Syracuse in 1970. He was a retired school teacher from the South Bend area to Syracuse. He was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Syracuse, Syracuse Lions Club and model train organizations. He was a World War II U.S. Army Air Force veteran.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Mrs. Steve (Jacque) Giles of Syracuse, Michelle Paradis of Mishawaka, and Mrs. James (Elizabeth) Slain of Kendallville; two sons, Crique Paradis of Angola, and William Gardner of Phoenix, Ariz.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in All Saints Episcopal Church, with the Rev. Linda Hughes officiating. Burial will be in McClintic Cemetery.

There is no visitation.

Preferred memorials are to All Saints Episcopal Church.

Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, is in charge of arrangements.

Robert Webb

TIGARD, Ore. — Robert L. Webb, 65, of Tigard, Ore., died Jan. 15 at his home.

Mr. Webb was a veteran of the Korean War and served in the U.S. Army. He was a retired salesman.

He was born June 20, 1932, in DeKalb County to the late Earl and Edna Webb.

Surviving are his wife, Edna, of Tigard; two sons, Michael of Tigard and Terry of Pensacola, Fla.; two daughters, Mary Sue Reagan and Tracy Walker, both of Tigard; two brothers, Max Webb of Auburn and Wendell Webb of Butler; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Helen Young of Coldwater, Mich.; and two brothers, Liston Webb and Don Webb, both of Chicago.

Military rites and a memorial service were conducted Tuesday at Willamette National Cemetery in Tigard.

Memorials may be made to the family.

John Burkhart

NORTH MANCHESTER — John C. Burkhart, 86, of North Manchester, died at 8 p.m. Monday in Hospice Care by the Sea in Boca Raton, Fla.

He was born in Langlade, Wis., March 30, 1911, to Jesse and Nora (Huffman) Burkhart. In 1933, he married Margaret E. Grismore. She survives.

Mr. Burkhart was a lifetime North Manchester resident until moving to Fort Myers, Fla., in 1973. He had worked 20 years for Peabody Seating Co. in North Manchester, and for 20 years was a self-employed monument engraver.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Vivian Strickler of Decatur, Ill., and Apryl Wiese of Boca Raton; four grandchildren, Tyler Strickler of Detroit, Kami Coventry of Decatur, Ill., Vivia Shelbourn of Indianapolis, and Christian Berian of Lighthouse Point, Fla.; and seven great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at 11:30 a.m. Friday in Fairview Cemetery, east of North Manchester, with the Rev. William Hemming of North Manchester United Methodist Church officiating.

There will be no visitation.

Preferred memorials are to Hospice Care by the Sea, Boca Raton, Fla.

Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Rachel Elizabeth "Liz" Marvel**, 69, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Sheets Funeral Home, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., Jan. 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Clark Hiler

ST. JOE — Clark J. Hiler, 57, died Thursday morning in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hiler retired in 1996 after 30 years at General Electric Co. and was currently employed by Delagrange Homes. He was a member of the Concord Township Volunteer Fire Department, Tower Marine Yacht Club in Douglas, Mich., and the American Legion post at Auburn. He enjoyed sailing and scuba diving.

He was born Jan. 19, 1941, in Fort Wayne. His parents were the late Dale Hiler Sr. and Doris (Boyce) Glock.

Surviving are his stepmother, Marge Hiler of Sun City, Ariz.; his girlfriend, Marie Miller of Harlan; three daughters, Renee Carper and Rachelle Hiler, both of Fort Wayne, and Aimee Drake of St. Joe; two sons-in-law, Philip Carper and Richard Drake; one son and daughter-in-law, Matt and Stephanie Hiler of Auburn; one brother, Dale Hiler Jr. of Stone Mountain, Ga.; and six grandchildren, Brandon, Megan and Joseph Hiler, Zachery Carper, and Michelle and Lisa Drake.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Maumee Cemetery at Antwerp, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Concord Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Betty Stein

FORT WAYNE — Betty Ruth Stein, 72, died Wednesday evening in the Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Home, Kendallville.

Mrs. Stein had worked for seven years at Meyers Drug Store, 30 years at A&P, and 10 years in Fort Wayne Community Schools. She was a volunteer at Cancer Services of Allen County (Nu Tones) and St. Joseph Medical Center. She was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne.

She was born April 26, 1925, in Fort Wayne to the late Paul G. and Marvel E. (Swann) Georgi.

She married Eugene W. Stein on Nov. 3, 1967, in Allen County, and he died in 1995.

Surviving her are one son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Sara Stein of Wolcottville; three brothers, J. Paul Georgi of Florida, Harold Georgi of Fort Wayne and Ronald Georgi of Butler; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by five brothers, William, Donald, Richard, Robert and Max Georgi.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 917 W. Jefferson St., Fort Wayne, with calling at the church after 10 a.m. Pastor Art Klausneier will officiate, with burial in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church.

Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of arrangements.

Reed Fox

BRYAN, Ohio — Reed Frysinger Fox, 81, died Thursday evening in Bryan.

The son of the late Edward and Hazel (Frysinger) Fox, he was born April 13, 1916, in Mercer County, Ohio.

He was married Nov. 12, 1936, in Celina, Ohio, to Mildred (Krugh) Fox, who survives.

Mr. Fox was in business with his brother, Carl "Steve" Fox, as a co-owner of Fox Brothers Mfg., in Bryan. He was an entrepreneur-spirited inventor who was awarded numerous patents.

He was a member of the First Church of Christ, Society of Operating Engineers, the Loyal Order of The Moose Lodge 1049, in Bryan, and a past board member of Orchard Hills Country Club.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Duane E. (and wife Marlene) Fox of Bryan and Richard K. Fox of Cape Coral, Fla.; two brothers, Carl "Steve" Fox of Fort Myers, Fla. and Robert Fox of Sun City West, Ariz.; one sister, Mrs. Francis (Marjorie) Smalley of Kettering, Ohio; four grandchildren, Julie Fox of Fort Wayne, Jon Fox of Dayton, Ohio, Rich Fox of Woodstock, Ga., and Douglas Fox of Huntsville, Ala.; and three great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Phyllis Griggs.

Friends may call from noon-5 p.m. Sunday at the Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home in Bryan.

Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Larry Snavely officiating. Interment will be in Shiffler Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Community Hospitals of Williams County Hospice or the First Church of Christ.

The Evening Star, Fri, Jan. 23, 1998 (cont'd)

Cleland Ebaugh

BRYAN, Ohio — Cleland R. Ebaugh, 79, died Thursday evening in Harborside Healthcare Center in Bryan.

Mr. Ebaugh was a farmer and attended the United Brethren Church in Kunkle.

He was born May 18, 1918, in Kunkle, Ohio, to the late Arthur John Ebaugh and Nellie Lathile (Clark) Ebaugh.

He was married Oct. 24, 1940, in Stryker, Ohio, to Marcile (McCrea) Ebaugh, who survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Roger L. (and wife Rosemary) of Charlotte, N.C., Ronald A. (and wife Mona) of Kennesaw, Ga., Gary D. (and wife Emily) of Bryan and Kenneth M. of West Unity, Ohio; four daughters, Mrs. Wayne (Shirley) Smith of Tiffin, Ohio, Mrs. Carl (Janis) Davidson of Bryan, Sharon Lute of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Zahn (Mary Ann) Weidenhamer of Defiance, Ohio; 13 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Wilma Ebaugh and Lois Ebaugh, and one daughter, Patricia Lynn Ebaugh, in 1968.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-6 p.m. at the Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, 206 N. Lynn St., Bryan.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Brown Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the National Kidney Foundation.

Leonard Dobson

AUBURN — Leonard Dobson, 73, died Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Dobson lived on Peterson Street in Auburn. He retired from Auburn Foundry in 1985, after 22 years of service.

He was born Feb. 18, 1924, in Vest, Ky., the son of George and Eliza Jane Dobson. His parents preceded him in death.

He married Mayoma Ritchie on Feb. 11, 1949, in Hindman, Ky. She survives.

Also surviving his are two sons, Willis Dobson of Auburn and Charlie Dobson of Garrett; three daughters, Girlie Brill, Mable Beber and Pauline Krider, all of Auburn; one brother, Leslie Dobson of Hazard, Ky., one sister, Martha Fugate of Hazard, Ky.; six grandchildren, Sandra Casselman, Ronnie Dobson, Randy Beber, Troy Krider, Isiah Dobson and LaShae Dobson, all of Auburn; and two great-grandchildren, Logan and Layton Casselman of Auburn.

He was preceded in death by five brothers and three sisters.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Lee Combs officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **John A. Harding**, 78, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Meeks Mortuary, Muncie, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today and an hour before services Saturday.

TOPEKA — **William H. "Bick" Nichols**, 63, died Thursday. Services at a later date. No calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Hilda Relyea

BUTLER — Hilda Mae Relyea, 75, died Friday at 10:35 a.m. in her home at Butler.

Mrs. Relyea had been employed at Rieke Corp. in Auburn and Universal Tool & Stamping in Butler, and retired from Crane Edmund in Butler.

She was born Aug. 15, 1922, in rural Auburn to Isaiah Charles DePew and Alberda (Funk) DePew.

She married Jonas Al Relyea on May 11, 1947, in Garrett. He preceded her in death on April 7, 1988.

Surviving are two sons, Gerald Edward Relyea of Auburn and Terry Lee Relyea of Spencerville, and two granddaughters, Rachel Relyea of Spencerville and Katy Relyea of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by a son, Tommy Lee Relyea, in 1952; a brother, William C. DePew; and a sister, Mildred Oberlin.

Services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler. The Rev. Rodney R. Hall of the First Assembly of God Church of Waterloo will officiate. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Howard Rohrbaugh

FORT WAYNE — Howard Rohrbaugh, 89, of Fort Wayne, died Jan. 16 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Rohrbagh worked for Phelps Dodge in Fort Wayne for 43 years. He was a member of the Fort Wayne Eagles and St. Joseph Catholic Church, Fort Wayne.

He was born Dec. 8, 1908, in Allen County to the late James W. and Nellie (Whitford) Rohrbaugh.

Surviving are his wife, Velma Rohrbaugh of Fort Wayne; four daughters, Betty Perrey of Nevada Mills, Helen Brett of Mount Clemens, Mich., Patty Casey of Sacramento, Calif., and Linda Heiman of Bay City, Texas; a stepson, Don Davidson of Indianapolis; a stepdaughter, Kathi Weiss of Fort Wayne; 18 grandchildren and 30 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Agnes Jane, in 1964.

Services were conducted Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to masses at St. Joseph Catholic Church and to cancer services of Allen County.

Arrangements were made by Mungovan and Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

TOPEKA — **Raphael Yoder**, 96, of Topeka, died at 10:49 a.m. Friday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Funeral services 2 p.m. Monday in Emma Mennonite Church, Topeka. Calling Sunday, 2-6 p.m., at the church.

MANSFIELD, Texas — **Pauline L. Foss**, 87, of Mansfield, Texas, and formerly of LaGrange, died Friday in Mansfield Nursing Center, Mansfield. Funeral arrangements are pending at Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

KENDALLVILLE — **Hazel M. Thomas**, 84, of Kendallville, died at 7:29 p.m. Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. Funeral services 11 a.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Calling Sunday, 2-5 and 7-9 p.m., at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Mon., Jan. 26, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Mildred Stephenson

AUBURN — Mildred M. Stephenson, 88, died Saturday at 8:55 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient for two weeks.

Mrs. Stephenson was a homemaker and lived most of her life in rural Auburn. She was a member of Meese Chapel United Methodist Church.

She was born April 24, 1909, in Allen County to the late William and Roselyn (Kistler) Surface.

Her first husband, Kenneth J. Hefty, died in 1964. She married J. Roy Stephenson in 1970, and he died in January 1997.

Surviving her are one son, William B. Hefty of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Peggy Schurr of Auburn; one stepson, Jerry Stephenson of Norwalk, Calif.; one stepdaughter, LuAnn Russell of Ceritos, Calif.; two sisters, Dora Houser of Auburn and Grace Bender of Leo; 10 grandchildren, six stepgrandchildren, six great-grandchildren and seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

Five brothers, Leonard, Ralph, Jess, Walter and Sam, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home by the Rev. Eugene Woolever, pastor of Meese Chapel United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Annabelle Clark

GARRETT — Annabelle Clark, 79, died Saturday at 9:20 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Clark was a homemaker and lived on South Cowen Street in Garrett.

She was born Nov. 6, 1918, in Fort Wayne to the late Roy and Hanna H. (Hoopengardner) Uhrick.

She married Don M. Clark on March 3, 1950, in Fort Wayne, and he died Aug. 16, 1987.

Surviving her are one daughter, Nancy Weimer of Garrett; two sons, Thomas Ely of Wagener, S.C., and Donald Clark of Garrett; one sister, Ethel Meyer of Huntertown, nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two grandchildren, one brother and three sisters.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Herbert Schumm officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrett, or the Garrett High School Girls Athletic Department.

Kermit Call

ANGOLA — Kermit R. Call, 62, of Angola, died Saturday at his home.

Mr. Call was a truck driver for R.J.M. Trucking of Fort Wayne and a veteran of the Korean War. He was born May 31, 1935, in Boonville.

On May 2, 1968, he married Roseann (Phipps) Call, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Carl K. Call of Angola, and a niece, Jane Wade of Butler.

There will be no calling. Funeral service arrangements are pending at Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the family in care of Roseann Call.

Edward Adams

MONTGOMERY, Mich. — Edward Louis Adams, 67, of Montgomery, died Saturday at 9 p.m. in his home.

Mr. Adams was a Korean War veteran. He was retired as a truck driver for Amoco Oil Co. He was a member of Stokes Chapel Church, K of P Lodge 261, Pythian Sisters and Coldwater Area Senior Citizens.

He was born May 24, 1930, in Branch County, Mich., to the late Steve and Julia (Micklatcher) Adams.

On Nov. 8, 1952, he married Opal (Church) Adams, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Debra (and husband, David) Maurer of Battle Creek, Mich., and Shirley (and husband, Rodney) Hantz of Fremont; four sons, James (and wife, Martha) Adams of Pleasant Lake, Donald (and wife, Sherry) Adams of Angola, Kenneth (and wife, Linda) Adams of Fort Wayne, and Thomas (and wife, Jerry) Adams of Fremont; two sisters, Grace Clifford of Coldwater, Mich., and Helen West of Battle Creek; and 12 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, two brothers and four sisters.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Diane Stone officiating. Burial will be in California Cemetery, Branch County, Mich.

Memorial donations may be made to Stokes Chapel Church.

Evening Star, Mon., Jan. 26, 1998 (cont'd)

Alice Kirkpatrick

CHURUBUSCO — Alice G. Kirkpatrick, 67, of Churubusco, died Saturday at 10:25 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born June 8, 1930, in Ossian to John and Iva (McCullough) Powell. On June 14, 1946, in Columbia City, she married Frank Kirkpatrick. He survives.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick, a lifetime Churubusco area resident, was a homemaker.

Surviving with her husband are three sons, James Kirkpatrick of Turlock, Calif., Harold Kirkpatrick of Churubusco, and William Kirkpatrick of Churubusco; three daughters, Mrs. James (Gloria) Maggart of LaOtto, Mrs. Michael (Sharon) Geiger of Columbia City, and Mrs. Thomas (Jane) Bangs of Churubusco; a brother, John Powell of Churubusco; five sisters, Mrs. Walter (Audra) Hatch of Churubusco, Nancy Derrow of Angola, Ellie Richerson of Garland, Texas, Mrs. Francis (Janet) Bianski of Churubusco, and Mrs. Norman (Rita) Rowe of Avilla; 22 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A son, Donald, preceded her in death in 1986.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with the Rev. Arthur Daniels of Eel River Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

Beverly Shaffer

ORLAND — Beverly A. Shaffer, 70, of Orland, died Sunday at 2:30 a.m. in her home.

Mrs. Shaffer was a retired Dana Weatherhead Corp. employee. She was a 50-year member of both the Orland American Legion Auxiliary and the Orland Eastern Star.

She was born Sept. 27, 1927, in Orland to the late Harry and Ellen (Stuck) Stoldt.

Surviving are her husband of 50 years, Alvin Shaffer, at home; a son, Randy Shaffer of Orland; a daughter, Michelle (and husband, David) Gravit of Hudson; three sisters, Willadene (and husband, LeRoy) Asher of Garden City, Mich., Lillian Wilkening of Portage, Mich., and Carolyn (and husband, Richard) Mallette of Arvada, Colo.; and four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Gary, and a granddaughter, Taryn.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. at the Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Thomas Smith officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Home Health Care.

Sarah Metz

PLEASANT LAKE — Sarah L. Metz, 91, died Saturday evening in Lakeland Nursing Care Center, Angola.

She was an artist and lived in Pleasant Lake.

She was born May 16, 1906, in Otsego Township, Steuben County, to the late Dave and Lura (Anspaugh) Metz.

Surviving her are three cousins, Vivian Hulbert and Robert Metz, both of Pleasant Lake, and Charles Knight of Hamilton.

One sister, Pauline Metz, preceded her in death in 1977.

Graveside services will be conducted Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Pleasant Lake Cemetery, with David Payne officiating. Private viewing for the family only take place at Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Carolyn Mills

LAFAYETTE — Carolyn S. (Reas) Mills, 50, died Saturday at 6 a.m. in her Lafayette home.

She attended the First Assembly of God Church in Lafayette.

She was born Oct. 17, 1947, in Auburn to Walter and Rebecca (Wilson) Reas. They survive in Englewood, Fla.

She married Stephen Mills on Jan. 25, 1969, in Auburn, and he also survives.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is survived by two sons, Aaron of West Lafayette and Travis of Lafayette; and two brothers, James Reas of Pleasant Lake and Randy Reas of Denver, Colo.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will take place Thursday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Sanger Stabler

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — Sanger A. Stabler, 54, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., died Thursday in his residence.

Mr. Stabler, formerly of Albion, was a retired iron worker.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia; four daughters, Fawn Stabler of Columbia City, Michelle Mosely of Albion, Tracy March of Garrett, and Melanie Davis of Murfreesboro; four sons, Jim Stabler and Brooke Stabler, both of Atlanta, Ga., Brannon Davis of Columbia City, and Joshua David of Murfreesboro; a brother, Lawrence Stabler of Bluffton; and seven grandchildren.

Memorial services were held today in First Assembly of God, Murfreesboro.

Preferred memorials are to Sanger Stabler Memorial Fund at Nation's Bank, 707 S. Tennessee Blvd., Murfreesboro, Tenn. 37130.

Evening Star, Mon. Jan. 26, 1998 (cont'd)

Elsie Freeman

HUNTERTOWN — Elsie K. Freeman, 94, formerly of the Huntertown area, died at 11 a.m. Saturday in the home of her granddaughter near Leo-Cedarville.

She was born in Allen County on Feb. 15, 1903, to James R. and Easter (McGuire) Yates. On June 10, 1922, she married Robert L. Freeman. He preceded her in death Dec. 27, 1974.

Mrs. Freeman spent most of her life in the Huntertown area. She was formerly employed at Blue Bell in Columbia City, and later by General Electric in Fort Wayne, where she retired.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. James (Berniece) Lewis of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Robert (Genieve) Pepple of the Ashley-Hudson area; two brothers, Melvin "Kelly" Yates and Erwin "Nip" Yates, both of Fort Wayne; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, a son, Winfield Freeman; two daughters, Easter Longley and Pauline Quinn; and a sister, LaVern Hippenhamer.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and the Rev. David Shadday, pastor of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery, Allen County.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. today in the funeral home..

Preferred memorials are to Taylor Chapel United Methodist Church or Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Grabill.

Mildred Hartman

ASHLEY — Mildred E. Hartman, 82, of Ashley, died Sunday at 10:42 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville.

She was born in DeKalb County Jan. 30, 1915, to Henry and Mary Alice (Simmons) Smith. On Feb. 27, 1932, she married Victor Hartman. He preceded her in death Dec. 26, 1971.

Mrs. Hartman, formerly of Lake-of-the-Woods, was a homemaker and member of Zion Lutheran Church, rural Corunna.

Surviving are two daughters, Beverly High of rural Hudson, and Rovene High of rural Auburn; three sons, Duane Hartman and LeRoy Hartman, both of rural Hudson, and Norman Hartman of Kendallville; a sister, Lucille Menzel of Ohio; 16 grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; three stepgreat-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Zion Lutheran Church, 389 C.R. 12, Corunna, with the Rev. Robert J. Muller officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to Zion Lutheran Church.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Velva E. Martin**, 80, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today.

LAGRANGE — **Zelda L. Wagner**, 92, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in First United Methodist Church, LaGrange. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

ROME CITY — **Janice L. Shuff**, 62, died Saturday. Services were today in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Betsy Viola "Pat" Spaw**, 79, died Friday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. today.

Malcom Meston

ONTARIO, Canada — The Rev. Malcom F. Meston, 78, of Nobel, Ontario, Canada, died Saturday at Belvedere Heights Nursing Home, Parry Sound, Ontario.

Mr. Meston lived in Steuben County for 25 years, before moving to Canada 10 years ago. A former member of the Steuben County Ministerial Association, he was a minister at Metz Christian Church and North Scott Christian Church. He also was a minister in Roann and in New Mexico.

Mr. Meston was a veteran of the Army Air Corps in World War II and a graduate of Atlanta Bible College.

On March 18, 1942, he married Louise (Barnes) Meston, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Mark Meston of Angola; eight daughters, Sandra Pugh of Joplin, Mo., Silvia Lautzenhiser of Parry Sound, Ontario, Marilyn Shrode of Chandler, Ariz., Marcia Powers of Angola; Virginia Rathburn of Angola; Vivian Hill of Chandler, Ariz., Pamela Malpiedi of Orlean, N.Y., and Patricia Baer of Wabash; a sister, Helen Burton of Goodrich, Mich.; 18 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Ray.

Friends may call Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. and one hour before services Wednesday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with Pastor Fred Pugh officiating. Burial will be at Powers Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Metz Christian Church or Cameron Hospice.

Deaths/Funerals

Marjorie Grossman

AUBURN — Marjorie A. Grossman. 63, died Sunday at 8:55 p.m. in her Auburn home.

She worked for 11 years at Phillips Technologies in Auburn as a machine operator. She had lived in Auburn for 15 years.

She was born Aug. 29, 1934, in Sharon, Pa., to the late Herbert and Genevieve (McGee) Grossman.

Surviving her are one son, Thomas W. Wright of Cromwell; two daughters, Debora H. Moore of Kendallville and Kim Wright of Tucson, Ariz.; two sisters, Sister Mary Stephen of Hot Springs, Ark., and Audrey Tutoki of Warren, Ohio; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One son, Keith, preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in Mccomb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church in Garrett, will officiate. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

Frank Heupel

NAPERVILLE, Ill. — Frank G. Heupel, 90, died Sunday at 7:30 a.m. in Meadowbrook Manor Nursing Home in Naperville.

He was a retired sales service manager for S.C.M. Corp. After retirement, he was vice president of Dan Johnson Inc. in Pennsylvania. He was a 1929 graduate of Notre Dame University.

Mr. Heupel was born May 30, 1907, in Indiana to the late Frank C. and Margaret (Leydon) Heupel.

He married Mary Joe Hoff in 1932 in Auburn, and she died Oct. 5, 1996.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, John P. and Rosemary Heupel of Addison, Ill.; and three grandsons and their spouses, Jack and Fran Heupel, Patrick and Kimberly Heupel, and Daniel Heupel.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, with calling after 10 a.m. at the church. Father James Sapp will officiate. Burial will be in Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Mary Stiles

NORWALK, Ohio — Mary Ann (McClure) Stiles, 65, died Jan. 13 in Fisher-Titus Medical Center following an extended illness.

She had been employed for 30 years as a secretary for Norwalk Furniture, retiring in 1984. She graduated from Norwalk High School in 1950. She lived in Norwalk most of her life.

She was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church in Norwalk, and enjoyed crocheting, the outdoors and fashion designing.

She was born Aug. 27, 1932, in Auburn.

Surviving her are her stepfather, Robert M. Reynolds of Norwalk; two daughters, Sheree Stiles of Milan, Ohio, and Rebecca Allard of Bellevue, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Her mother, Mabel Reynolds, preceded her in death in 1976.

Private family services were conducted in Milan Cemetery. Kubach-Smith Funeral Home, Norwalk, was in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Audrey U. Krugh**, 91, died Sunday. Memorial services at 11 a.m. Monday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home in Howe. No calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Dorothy Rathbun

ORLAND — Dorothy Lee Rathbun, 59, of Orland, died Tuesday at 11:15 a.m. at her residence.

A homemaker, Mrs. Rathbun was a Jehovah's Witness and a member of the M.S. Society.

She was born Nov. 15, 1938, in Kinderhook, Mich., to Harold and Frances (Kyburz) Caswell. Her mother survives in Coldwater, Mich.

Surviving are her husband, George, at home; three daughters, Elizabeth (Mrs. Carl) Coburn of Fremont, Pamelia (Mrs. John) Cox of Indianapolis, and Karen (Mrs. Michael) Shoup of Angola; a son, Brad Rathbun of Westville; nine grandchildren; three brothers, Paul Caswell of Alabama, Russell Caswell of Sturgis, Mich., and Irving Caswell of Fremont; and a sister, Mrs. William (Joy) Thomas of Coldwater.

She was preceded in death by her father and a brother, Eugene.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness, State Road 827, Angola, with Michael Dilts officiating.

There will be no calling. Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Home Healthcare and Hospice. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Wilma Kuckuck

INVERNESS, Fla. — Wilma E. Kuckuck, 72, formerly of Edon, Ohio, died Jan. 21 at Citrus Memorial Hospital, Inverness, Fla.

She was born Oct. 14, 1925, in Otsego Township, Steuben County, to the late Samuel and Mary Elgie (Walters) Fry. She moved to Bushnell, Fla., in 1980.

She married Russell Kuckuck on April 17, 1970. He survives at home.

Also surviving are three stepsons, Norman Kuckuck of Orlando, Fla., Steve Kuckuck of Edon, Ohio, and Lonnie Hart of Coldwater, Mich.; two stepdaughters, Terry (Hart) Repp of Montpelier, Ohio, and Jeanine (Kuckuck) Downer of Quincy, Mich.; and four stepgrandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at Krill Funeral Home, Edon, with burial at Edon Cemetery.

Harold Strow

CROSSVILLE, Ill. — Harold Eugene Strow, 95, of Boynton Beach, Fla., died Dec. 23, 1997, at 4:14 a.m. at The Hospice By the Sea, Boca Raton, Fla.

He was born Oct. 9, 1902, in DeKalb County to Henry Daniel and Mary Anne (Henney) Strow. He married Reva Louise Goodman on Jan. 16, 1925, and she preceded him in death on May 31, 1992.

His early education was in the public schools of Indiana and he was awarded a bachelor's degree from Indiana University. Later he studied at the University of Chicago, Northwestern University and Johns Hopkins University and received his master's degree from Northwestern University.

He taught and coached at the public schools in the Carmi, Ill., area and at private Milwaukee University School, where he became the director, headmaster of that school. A scholarship at Indiana University is given annually in his honor. Later he taught at Chatham Hall in Chatham, Va., retiring in 1969. Since retirement, he had lived in Boynton Beach.

He was a member of the Crossville Rotary Club and a member of the Masonic Lodge 272 of Carmi, Ill. While in Milwaukee he was a member of the University Club and the Rotary Club. He was a member of the Leisureville Square Club of Boynton Beach.

He is survived by a brother-in-law and wife, Sam and Sue Goodman of Paris, Tenn., and numerous nieces and nephews. A sister, Florence May (Strow) Hawk, and two brothers, Russell J. and Carl W. Strow, preceded him in death.

Graveside services were conducted Friday, Jan. 2, at 11 a.m. at the Stokes Chapel Cemetery near Crossville, with the Rev. Harold Meriwether officiating.

Campbell Funeral Home of Carmi was in charge of arrangements.

Mary A. (Englert) Herendeen

KENDALLVILLE — Mary A. (Englert) Herendeen, 76, of 507 E. Richmond St., Kendallville, died at 1 p.m. Friday in Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

On July 28, 1921 in Noble County, she was born the daughter of Spurge Englert. In 1937 in Noble County she married Lawrence Herendeen, who survives.

Mrs. Herendeen was a lifetime resident of Noble County, a homemaker and member of New Hope Baptist Church in Kendallville.

Surviving in addition to her husband are: two daughters, Deanna Prater, of Wawaka, and Lori Williams, of Rome City; five sons, Tom Herendeen, of Demont, Ind., Warren Herendeen, of Albion, Gale Herendeen, of Warsaw; and David and Steven Herendeen, both of Rome City; one brother, Harold Englert, of Auburn; 26 grandchildren; 48 great grandchildren; and one great great grandchild.

Three brothers, two sisters and one grandson preceded her in death.

Funeral services took place Monday at New Hope Baptist Church with Pastor Bill Johnson officiating. Burial was at Orange Cemetery in Rome City.

Preferred memorials are to the New Hope Baptist Church.

McHatton-Sadler Funeral Home in Warsaw was in charge of arrangements.

Evening Star,
Wed, Jan. 28, 1998
(cont'd)

Glenn Wyatt

MUNCIE — Glenn A. Wyatt, 83, died Monday evening in Liberty Village Health Care Center, following a long illness.

Mr. Wyatt was a purchasing agent for Warner Gear for 43 years before his retirement. He worked at Warner Gear in Auburn before being transferred to Muncie. He was a former member of the Methodist Church in Auburn.

He was born March 11, 1914, in Auburn and graduated from Auburn High School in 1933. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. During his service, he was a guard for Gen. Dwight Eisenhower and received the Purple Heart. He was a life member of Elks Lodge 245.

He married Mary Ellen Neuton in February 1941, and she died in 1996.

Surviving him are two daughters, Julia Martin of Westland, Mich., and Barbara Wyatt of Indianapolis; one sister, Freida Dailey of Auburn; two granddaughters, Laura Martin of Phoenix, Ariz., and Melinda Martin of Westland; and two nephews.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1:30 p.m. in The Meeks Mortuary Chapel, Muncie, with burial in Beech Grove Cemetery. Friends may call at the mortuary two hours before the service.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Diabetes Association, 668, E. 62nd St., Indianapolis IN 46220.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Helen Frieden**, 89, died Monday. No services or calling.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Ruth Geraldine Bohling**, 87, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Sue South

AUBURN — Sue Hamilton South, 70, died Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. South was a homemaker and lived in Auburn. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn.

She was born July 1, 1927, in Muncie to the late D.C. and Mildred (Sharp) Hamilton.

She married Robert E. South on Sept. 15, 1951, in the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, and he survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Karen (Mrs. Kevin) Sibery of Auburn and Kathy (Mrs. Tim) High of Waterloo; and six grandchildren, Travis and Tara Sibery, Emily and Sara High, and Alicia and Rachel South.

One son, Jeffery South, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Saturday from 3-7 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. David Maish officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First United Methodist Church or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Marie Klinger

AVILLA — Marie Klinger, 78, died Wednesday at 8:45 p.m. in a truck-pedestrian accident near Avilla.

Mrs. Klinger was a homemaker and lived in Avilla. She worked at Bauman & Harnish in Garrett for 23 years, retiring in 1981. She was a member of the Garrett Nazarene Church, its Primetimers group, Farm Bureau, and the Work & Witness Mission.

She was born July 2, 1919 in Noble County to the late R.T. and Lillie (Yarian) Pfleidner.

She married Walter W. Klinger on March 1, 1941, in Churubusco, and he died Aug. 30, 1997.

Surviving her are one son, the Rev. Gary Klinger of Anderson; two daughters, Beverly Foreman of Bluffton and Carolyn Parker of Kendallville; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One sister, Loretta Anderson, and one brother, Raymond Pfleidner, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Garrett Church of the Nazarene, with calling at the church after 9 a.m. Burial will be in Hooper King Cemetery, Avilla.

Memorial contributions may be given to her church.

Janis Layman

HAMILTON — Janis Irene (Kepler) Layman, 77, died Tuesday at The Laurels of DeKalb in Butler.

She graduated from Manchester College in North Manchester and lived in Hamilton. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Red Cross and the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

She was born Dec. 5, 1920, in Hamilton to the late Ford A. and Wava Marie (Lemmon) Kepler.

Surviving her are two sons, Jeffrey Layman of Atlanta, Ga., and Jonathon Layman of Panama City, Fla.; one brother, Jerry Kepler of Hamilton; four grandchildren and three nephews.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in the Hamilton United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Edwin Clark officiating. Burial will be in the Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church or the Pokagon chapter of DAR.

Gwenda Ferguson

FREMONT — Gwenda L. Ferguson, 62, of Fremont, died Tuesday at 11:55 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Ferguson was a homemaker. She was born Sept. 12, 1935, in Quincy, Mich., to the late William and Opal (Wiler) Hicksenhiser.

Surviving are her husband of 15 years, Harold, at home; a son, Edie (and wife, Deanne) Morrison of Orange, Calif.; four daughters, Kari (and husband, Jerry) Halstead of San Clemente, Calif., Wendy (and husband, Kirk) Dahlquist of Laguna Niguel, Calif., Jennifer (and husband, Ed) Carter of Newton, N.C., and Debbie Ferguson of Lenoir, N.C.; six grandchildren; two brothers, Dennis (and wife, Diana) Hicksenhiser of Hanover, Mich., and Donald Hicksenhiser of Camden, Mich.; and three sisters, Monna Ewing of Fremont, Billie (and husband, Mike) Green of Camden, Mich., and Rita Hicksenhiser of Camden.

There will be no services or calling.

Memorial donations may be made to Lutheran Heart Hospital. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Virginia Schneider

FREMONT — Virginia H. Schneider, 73, of Snow Lake, died Tuesday at 1:10 p.m. at her home.

Mrs. Schneider was a homemaker, a member of the American Legion Auxiliary of Toledo, Ohio, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and Women of the Moose, both in Angola. She was a former Toledo resident.

She was born Feb. 18, 1924, in Toledo to the late Harry and Julia Northcutt.

Surviving are her husband of 52 years, Joseph A. Schneider, at home; a daughter, Cheryl Lynn Gould of Findlay, Ohio; a son, Joseph A. Schneider Jr. of Fremont; a granddaughter, Kelly C. Schneider of Stirling, N.J.; three grandsons, Kurt J. Schneider of Mansfield, Ohio, Bradley R. Clifford of Tucson, Ariz., and Matthew E. Clifford of Findlay; her mother-in-law, Lillian Cook of Angola; and a sister-in-law, Zelda Woitzel of Oregon, Ohio.

Friends may call Saturday from 3-5 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Memorial services will begin at 5 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. Wayne Berkesch officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Home Healthcare and Hospice.

Deaths/Funerals

Mabel Morr

AUBURN — Mabel L. Morr, 93, died Thursday at 5:10 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Morr was a clothing seamstress. She lived in DeKalb County until 1946, and in LaGrange County until 1953. She lived in northern Wisconsin for 25 years, where she and her husband operated a summer resort. She lived in Defiance, Ohio, from 1978 to 1984 and moved to Fort Wayne in 1984.

She was born July 22, 1904, in DeKalb County to the late A.R. and A. Nellie (Ridgway) Mason.

She married Roscoe E. Morr on Sept. 17, 1921, and he died Jan. 24, 1979.

Several nieces and nephews survive her.

Two sisters, Georgia M. VanWagner and Esther Mason, and two brothers, Devaun and Floyd Mason, preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home in Defiance, Ohio, with calling after 11 a.m. The Rev. Robert Metheny will officiate. Burial will take place in Evansport Cemetery, Defiance.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Joseph Guzman Sr.

ASHLEY — Joseph E. Guzman Sr., 62, of Ashley, died Thursday at 1:11 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Guzman was a salesman in the industrial sales division at Hudson Industries, Hudson. He had lived in Ashley the past three years.

He was born Jan. 11, 1936, in Detroit to the late Edmund and Susan (Holquin) Guzman.

He is survived by three sons, Joseph E. Guzman Jr. of Indianapolis, David Guzman of Pleasant Lake, and Gregory Guzman of Indianapolis; a daughter, Renee Arnold of Howell, Mich.; a brother, Leo Guzman of Seattle; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Edward Guzman.

Friends may call from 2-6:30 p.m. Saturday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Services will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

James Walcutt

ANGOLA — James A. Walcutt, 83, of Angola, died Thursday at 4:15 a.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Walcutt, an Angola resident the past 52 years, owned the Jim Walcutt Body Shop for 15 years. He also had worked for the Nickel Plate Railroad. He was a member of the Angola Christian Church and the Ashley Masonic Lodge.

He was born Feb. 8, 1914, in Van Wert, Ohio, to the late Ardi and Betty (Riley) Walcutt.

On Feb. 14, 1931, he married Mary Ella (Book) Walcutt, who survives at home.

Also surviving are three sons, Jack Walcutt of Huntertown, James Walcutt of Churubusco, and Jerry Walcutt of Angola; three daughters, Judy Oliver of Fort Wayne, Sue Alford of Angola; and Melanie Pardue of Angola; a sister, Martha Esper of Fort Wayne; 18 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a grandchild; a brother, Arthur Walcutt; a sister, Ethel Shoe; a stepbrother, Dean Jump; and a stepsister, Jean Gaskill.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A Masonic service by the Ashley Masonic Lodge will begin at 6:30 p.m. today.

Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. James Butler officating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Salem Fire Department, Angola United Methodist Church and CompreCare Health Service.

Morris Sprague

LIGONIER — Morris L. "Dutch" Sprague, 78, of Ligonier, died Thursday at 3:45 p.m. in his residence.

He was born Aug. 11, 1919, in Ligonier to James and Ethel (Growcock) Sprague. On Aug. 27, 1945, in Washington, Ind., he married Ruth Blanton. She preceded him in death in 1993.

Mr. Sprague formerly owned and operated Dutch's Citgo Station in Ligonier. He retired in 1983 as a custodian at Ligonier Elementary School. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran and a lifetime resident of the area. He was a member of Goshen Church of Christ.

Surviving are two sons, Mike Sprague and David Sprague, both of Ligonier; seven daughters, Mrs. Carroll (Linda) Galloway, Sue Parsons, Mrs. David (Rita) Perry, Debra Sprague and Mrs. John (Pam) Brickey, all of Ligonier, Mrs. Jerry (Virginia) Reichard of Wawaka, and Mrs. Kenny (Lois) Martin of Kendallville; four brothers, Phillip Sprague of Auburn, and Frank Sprague, Forrest Sprague and Fred Sprague, all of Ligonier; four sisters, Faye Lahr of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Herbert (Isabelle) LeCount and Betty Chiddister, both of Ligonier, and Janis Rarick of Cromwell; 26 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by five brothers and one sister.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with Keith Besson officiating. Burial will be in Salem Cemetery, north of Ligonier.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Sat., Jan. 31, 1998

Area Deaths

COLON, MICH. — **Lester W. Russell** of Colon died Wednesday. Private visitation and services will be at the Schipper Funeral Home Ltd. of Colon. Private burial will be in Matteson Cemetery of Matteson Township, Mich.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Jimmy L. Wirick**, 54, died Thursday. The funeral will be Monday at 10 a.m. in Frurip-May Funeral Home of LaGrange, while visitation will be 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

KENDALLVILLE — **Kathryn N. Kirkwood**, 90, died Friday. Funeral services will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at Towne House Chapel, 2209 St. Joe Center Road, Fort Wayne, where viewing will precede from 9-10:30 a.m., and Monday at 2 p.m. in the chapel at Lake View Cemetery in Kendallville, where viewing will precede from 1-2 p.m.

NEW PARIS — **Orvin H. Hooley**, 87, died Thursday. The funeral, a memorial service, will be at 3 p.m. Sunday in Waterford Mennonite Church, with a prayer service at 1 p.m. Sunday at Yoder-Culp Funeral Home, 1911 S. Main St., Goshen and burial following. Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Kathleen Daugherty

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Kathleen Daugherty, 92, died Monday afternoon in her Hicksville home.

She graduated from Hicksville High School in 1923, then pursued a very successful career in show business with an all-girls orchestra in Chicago.

She married Frank Daugherty on 1930 and moved to California. They put a dancing and musical act together and traveled all over the country, playing at theaters under the name of Frank and Kay Hart.

World War II brought an end to their show business career. Mrs. Daugherty began teaching music in what is now Central Local School System, where she taught for 25 years.

Surviving her is one sister, Edith (Mrs. Wayne) Smith of Hicksville.

Friends may call tonight from 6-8 at Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Betty Geiser officiating. Burial will take place in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Helen Little

AUBURN — Helen Love Little, 89, died Monday at 6:15 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where she had resided since 1981.

Mrs. Little was a homemaker and formerly lived at 316 W. Eleventh St., Auburn. She was a graduate of Indiana University, earning an A.B. degree in 1930 and a master's degree in 1931. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and an honorary member of the Ladies Literary Club.

She was born July 9, 1908, in Farmersburg to the late Edgar A. and Lillie P. (Love) O'Dell.

She married James E. Little on March 13, 1931, in Indianapolis, and he died in March 1989.

Surviving her are two daughters, Roberta J. Schaab of Auburn and Judith C. Myers of Denver; three grandchildren, William J. Schaab of Auburn, Elizabeth J. Shepherd of Auburn, and Alyson Hayes of Denver; and three great-grandchildren.

One brother preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the chapel at Auburn Presbyterian Church, with Dr. Jack L. Pursell officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or the YMCA of DeKalb County.

Amy Boyer

AUBURN — Amy Irene Boyer, 62, of Auburn, died at 6:50 a.m. Monday in Auburn.

She was born in Salem Township, Steuben County, on Oct. 21, 1935, to Ralph and Delphia (Martin) Boyer.

Miss Boyer, a homemaker, had lived in Auburn 15 years.

Surviving are a brother, Gerald "Jack" Boyer of Avilla; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Robert Boyer in 1977, David "Skip" Boyer in 1996, and Donald Boyer in 1997.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Hamilton Cemetery, Hamilton, with the Rev. Howard Compton officiating.

There will be no visitation.

Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **James E. Anweiler**, 33, died Sunday at home. Services at 1 p.m. Thursday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 5-9 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., Feb. 4, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Joseph Davidson

AUBURN — Joseph D. Davidson, 85, died Tuesday at 10:23 a.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Mr. Davidson retired in 1978 after 37 years as a machinist at Auburn Gear. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, and a life member of Elks Lodge 1978 and Moose Lodge 566, both in Auburn. He was a 1932 graduate of Auburn High School.

He was born Jan. 21, 1913, in Pleasant Lake to the late Harry and Minnie (Truitt) Davidson.

He married Leona H. Crooks on Jan. 7, 1941, in Bryan, Ohio, and she survives.

Surviving him are five sons, Michael J., John P. and William A., all of Auburn, Robert D. of Waterloo and Daniel R. of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mary Ann Martin of Auburn and Jane E. Davidson of Fort Wayne; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Dorothy Green and Vivian Harpster, and one brother, Harold, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. A rosary service will be conducted Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will take place Friday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, with calling after 9 a.m. Father Raymond Balzer will officiate, with burial in Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Masses at the church or the Sacred Heart Home.

Dorothy Hurd

GARRETT — Dorothy M. Hurd, 78, died Tuesday at 1 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Hurd was a homemaker and lived on East Houston Street in Garrett. She was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

She was born May 15, 1919, in Harrisburg, Pa., to the late John and Mary Geistwhite.

She married Charles Hurd on Jan. 3, 1960, in Garrett, and he died Dec. 8, 1992.

Surviving her are one son, John Hurd of Garrett; three stepsons, Dave Hurd and Steven Hurd, both of Garrett, and Charles Hurd Jr. of Stryker, Ohio; three stepdaughters, Norma Combs of Garrett, Buelah Miller of Coldwater, Mich., and Lawanda Myers of Pleasant Lake; one brother, Ted Geistwhite of Harrisburg; one sister, Helen Paul of Harrisburg; 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one stepson, Ronald Hurd; three grandchildren, two brothers and one sister.

A graveside service will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett, with Pastor Lane Andrews officiating. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Mary G. Geiger**, 70, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 6-8 p.m. today and 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Rodebaugh

AUBURN — Robert R. Rodebaugh, 76, died Wednesday morning in his Auburn home.

Mr. Rodebaugh worked at Aro Corp. in Waterloo for 31 1/2 years, retiring in 1986. He was a member of Auburn Moose Lodge 566, Sons of the American Legion, and Auburn Elks Lodge 1978.

He was born July 23, 1921, in Fort Wayne to the late Roy and Clara (Rastenburg) Rodebaugh.

He married June B. O'Neal on May 30, 1941, in Auburn. She died Sept. 5, 1997.

Surviving him are two daughters, Penny (Mrs. Warren) Wiedenhoeft and Pamela (Mrs. Michael) Long, both of Auburn; one brother, Francis of Radnor, Pa.; and five grandchildren, Robert, James and Tamara Long, Ryan Weidenhoeft, and Jody Weidenhoeft and his wife, Lori.

One son, Thomas, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A Moose lodge service will take place Saturday evening in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Wilbur Yates officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Robert Courtney

ANGOLA — Robert C. Courtney, 74, of Angola, died Tuesday at 4:15 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Courtney had worked as a truck driver for Sheets LP Gas and S&S Oil Co. He had been an Angola resident for 70 years.

A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Courtney was a member of American Legion Post 31, Angola, and Metz Christian Church.

He was born Sept. 16, 1923, in Columbia City to the late Vaughn and Elsie (Clair) Courtney.

On March 11, 1944, he married Gladys (Smith) Courtney, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Michael Courtney of Angola; a daughter, Patricia Hall of LaGrange; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Terry Courtney; a granddaughter, Hattie Courtney; and a grandson, Shawn Courtney.

Services arrangements are pending at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Helen Henley

KENDALLVILLE — Helen G. Henley, 79, of Kendallville, died at 6:15 a.m. today in ExtendaCare in Kendallville. She had been ill 1 1/2 years.

She was born in Fremont Feb. 25, 1918, to Rennie and Glendora (Peepers) Gould. On May 9, 1936, in LaGrange, she married John B. Henley. He survives.

Mrs. Henley, a homemaker, was a graduate of Fremont High School and was past district deputy president of Rebekah Lodge No. 378.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Shirley Anne Adams of North Manchester, and Carolynne Jeanne Goodman of Orland; two sons, John B. Henley II of Wasilla, Alaska, and Glenn A. Henley of Maggie Valley, N.C.; two sisters, Pauline "Pat" Tubbs and Mary Buknis, both of Fremont; a brother, Everett Gould of New Castle, Pa.; 15 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Vera Kincheloe

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Vera Morr Kincheloe, 87, died Tuesday in Suburban Hospital, Lousiville.

She was a native of Auburn and a former secretary-treasurer of the old Fine Arts Reproduction Co. in Louisville. She was a member of Anchorage Presbyterian Church in Anchorage, Ky., and the Middletown Homemakers Club. She was a former member of Owl Creek Country Club in Anchorage, Order of the Eastern Star, and ZONTA International, an organization of professional women.

She was born in Auburn to the late Grover C. and Ethel (Snyder) Morr. Her husband, Morris C. Kincheloe, preceded her in death.

Surviving are two daughters, Donna M. Brand of Albuquerque, N.M., and Joan Scott-Smith of Dalton, Mass.; one son, Thomas M. of Eureka, Minn.; three sisters, Joanna Vancil of Louisville, Marie Olds of Avinger, Texas, and Margaret Dilgard of Phoenix, Ariz.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. in Pearson Funeral Home, Louisville.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Anchorage Presbyterian Church. Entombment will take place in Resthaven Mausoleum, Louisville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Mickie Franklin

LAGRANGE — Mickie L. Franklin, 59, of rural LaGrange, died Tuesday in St. Joseph Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

She was born June 4, 1938, in Muncie to Joe E. and Nondus (Davis) Tolin. Her mother survives in LaGrange. On Oct. 9, 1959, in Muncie, she married Johnny G. Franklin Sr. He preceded her in death Sept. 1, 1996.

Mrs. Franklin retired from Dometic Corp. in LaGrange. She had also worked at Starcraft Corp. and Mastercraft.

Surviving with her mother are a son, Johnny Franklin Jr. of Stroh; a daughter, Mrs. James (Rebecca) Herl of Fremont; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Patricia Freeman, in 1997.

Funeral services will be at 5 p.m. Sunday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home in LaGrange, with the Rev. Randolf Wicker officiating.

Calling is from noon to 2 p.m. and 4-5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Clyde Lewis

AUBURN — Clyde E. Lewis, 76, died Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Lewis was an engineer for Borg-Warner in Auburn, retiring in 1989. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, serving from October 1942 until his discharge in in late 1945. He earned four Battle Stars, one Bronze Star and a Purple Heart.

He was a member of Greenhurst Country Club and lived on West Tenth Street in Auburn.

He was born Nov. 12, 1921, in Garrett to the late Sherman and Grace (Brown) Lewis.

He married Roseanne Davis on Oct. 26, 1943, at the Auburn Presbyterian Church, and she died in 1971.

Surviving him are two daughters, Sandra Lewis of Cleveland, Ohio, and Janet Lewis of Auburn; one brother, Sherman L. of Crown Point; four sisters, Lenore Lewis, Elaine Kizer and Winnifred Johnston, all of Garrett, and Jessica Moses of Findlay, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

One sister and six brothers preceded him in death.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 10 a.m. Diane Manon will officiate, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Robert West

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Robert T. West, 76, died Thursday at 12:10 a.m. in Harborside Healthcare at Bryan, Ohio, where he had been a patient since Jan. 29.

Mr. West worked at Magnavox and Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne, and later co-managed the West & Metz Shell station in Hicksville for about 30 years. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Hicksville.

He was born Jane 22, 1921, in Antwerp, Ohio, to the late Leland and Mabel (Miller) West.

He married Leila G. Osmun of Hicksville on April 5, 1941, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Janet Cramer of West Unity, Ohio, and Sandra Lockhart of Antwerp; two sons, Larry Robert West of Fort Wayne and Robert Lee West of Hicksville; nine grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren and 16 stepgreat-grandchildren.

One sister, Florence Carr, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today after 2 p.m. and Saturday after 9 a.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with burial in Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, Hicksville, or the American Heart Fund.

Robert Brokaw

ANGOLA — Robert B. Brokaw, 86, of Angola, died Thursday at his residence.

Mr. Brokaw had worked for Goodale Abstract Co. and was a U.S. Navy veteran. He was a member of the Angola Church of Christ (Christian) and Rotary International.

He was born May 23, 1911, in Angola to the late Joseph A. and Nora (Shank) Brokaw.

Surviving are his wife, Miriam Louise (Stevens) Brokaw, at home; three daughters, Roberta Brokaw of Hawyard, Calif., Sharon Baker of Fort Wayne, and Karen Kidd of Angola; five grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted at 4 p.m. Saturday in the Angola Church of Christ with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will take place in Circle Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. today at Klink Funeral Home, Angola, and one hour before services Saturday at the church.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola Church of Christ and the Lake James Christian Assembly.

Helen Henley

KENDALLVILLE — Helen G. Henley, 79, of Kendallville, died at 6:15 a.m. Thursday in ExtendaCare in Kendallville. She had been ill 1 1/2 years.

She was born in Fremont Feb. 25, 1918, to Rennie and Glendora (Peepers) Gould. On May 9, 1936, in LaGrange, she married John B. Henley. He survives.

Mrs. Henley, a homemaker, was a graduate of Fremont High School and was past district deputy president of Rebekah Lodge No. 378.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Shirley Anne Adams of North Manchester, and Carolynne Jeanne Goodman of Orland; two sons, John B. Henley II of Wasilla, Alaska, and Glenn A. Henley of Maggie Valley, N.C.; a stepson, Damon Burkley of Kendallville; two sisters, Pauline "Pat" Tubbs and Mary Buknis, both of Fremont; a brother, Everett Gould of New Castle, Pa.; 15 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Claude Campbell**, 91, died Tuesday. Services were today in LaGrange.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Dr. Lon D. Sorey**, 94, died Thursday. No services or calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Hayward Kittle

PLEASANT LAKE — Hayward L. Kittle, 71, of Pleasant Lake, died Thursday at 3:07 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Kittle, formerly of Fremont, had worked as a diesel mechanic.

He was born Nov. 21, 1926, in Belington, W.Va., to the late Perry M. and Lucy (Cross) Kittle.

Surviving are two sons, Hayward L. Kittle Jr. of Valparaiso and Johnny Kittle of Fremont; a daughter, Corinna Denhart of Ottawa Lake, Mich.; a stepson, Michael Depue of Angola; a stepdaughter, Carol Gilmour of Pleasant Lake; three brothers, two sisters, two grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, and one stepgreat-grandchild.

There will be no calling or funeral services. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Raymond Paynter

AUBURN — Raymond R. Paynter, 81, died Friday at 11:01 a.m. in Auburn Health Care, where he had been a patient for a brief period.

Mr. Paynter was born Dec. 12, 1916 in Hanover, W.V., to Loranzo D. and Martha (Deskins) Paynter. During the early years of his life he was a coal miner in Wyoming County, W.V. He was later self-employed as a truck driver for 25 years.

He married Nancy Woody Muche in 1976. The couple moved to Cookville, Tenn., in 1980, where he continued his trucking business until his wife's death in 1989.

He moved to Churubusco with his daughter, Loretta England, in 1993, and later resided with his son, Bueford "Joe" Paynter, in Spencerville.

He was a Baptist.

Surviving in addition to his daughter and son are three other sons, Raymond "Randy" Paynter Jr. of Massachusetts and Johnny D. Paynter and Jack D. Paynter, both of St. Petersburg, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Mac (Sandra) Hatfield of Beckley, W.V.; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Ruby Bailey of Hanover, W.V. and Opal Rose and Dixie Reisinger, both of North Carolina; and two brothers, Ralph Paynter of Poplar Bluff, Mo. and John Paynter of Hanover, W.V.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by a brother and sister and two grandchildren, Bradley England and Gary Paynter.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco. Burial will be in the South Park Cemetery Annex in Columbia City,

Visitation is Sunday from 6-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Thomas Baker

VEVAY — Thomas W. "Tom" Baker, 31, a former Ligonier resident, died Wednesday at home.

The Kendallville native had been employed at American Stainless Steel.

Surviving are his parents, Richard D. and Rosalie Baker, both of Vinita, Okla.; a son, Brandon Grayson of Angola; two brothers, William D. Baker of Ligonier and Richard D. Baker Jr. of Fort Wayne; one sister, Tammy Hochstetler of Topeka; his grandparents, Fillmore and Pauline Price of Lakeland, Fla.; and a friend, Dorothy R. Lane of Vevay.

Services and burial will be private.

Preferred memorials are to the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Clara Howell

PAULDING, Ohio — Clara (Baughman) Howell, 78, died Wednesday at Dallas Lamb Foundation, Payne, Ohio.

She was an Ohio native and had retired from Grizzley Manufacturing in 1981 after 19 years of service. She also had worked for S-K Wayne Dresser Industries for six years.

Her husband, Forrest "Bud" Howell, preceded her in death in 1985.

Surviving are three daughters, Frances "Shorty" Kauser and Janice Harris, both of Paulding, and Anna L. Masters of Fremont; a brother, Keith "Dewey" Baughman of Paulding; a sister, Georgia Englehart of Payne; 13 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. today at Den Herder Funeral Home in Paulding, with calling from 8 a.m. until the service. Burial will be in Live Oak Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the nursing home, Paulding EMS and Paulding County Home Health and Visiting Nurses Association.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Helen A. Gunderman**, a resident of Churubusco, died Friday evening in her home on Ind. 205 west of Churubusco. Arrangements are pending at the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco.

CROMWELL — **Lois M. "Susie" Harper**, 82, died Friday at 11:35 a.m. at Oak Leaf Village in Ligonier. Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in Calvary Lutheran Church. Visitation is Sunday from 2-6 p.m. at Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier and at the church Monday one hour prior to services.

LIGONIER — **Otho P. "Pete" Weaver**, 92, a former Noble County resident, died Friday at 1 p.m. in Alamo Nursing Home in Kalamazoo, Mich. Funeral arrangements are pending at Orr Funeral Home in Ligonier.

Deaths/Funerals

Charles Hamm Jr.

GARRETT — Charles G. Hamm Jr., 77, died Sunday at 5:49 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Hamm worked as a brakeman on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for 30 years, retiring in 1982. He was a captain in the U.S. Army, serving in World War II and the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the Garrett post of the American Legion and Garrett United Methodist Church. He lived on East Houston Street in Garrett.

He was born June 1, 1920, in Garrett to the late Charles G. Hamm Sr. and Justine M. (Zeiser) Hamm.

He married Louise Rarey on Jan. 10, 1947, in Kokomo, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Mark of Bloomington and Todd of Auburn; one daughter, Jordan Bower of Fort Wayne; and two grandsons, Cassidy Hamm of Garrett and Austin Bower of Fort Wayne.

He was preceded in death by a half-sister, Devon Wilmot.

A graveside service will be conducted Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett, with military services by the Garrett American Legion. Dr. William N. Hodge will officiate. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to Wee Haven or the Garrett High School Athletic Department.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Diane Gall

ANGOLA — Diane Kay Gall, 40, of Angola, died Saturday at 7:26 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Ms. Gall had worked as a dietary aide at Cameron Hospital.

She was born Feb. 21, 1957, in Angola to Donald and Judy Simpson, who survive in Angola.

Also surviving are her companion, Mike Sadlon of Angola; two daughters, Jenny and Angie Gall of Angola; a son, Scott Gall of Angola; a sister Sallie (and husband, David) Stroh of Fremont; a brother, Tom Simpson of Fremont; and her maternal grandmother, Edna Mae Wills of Angola.

Friends may call from 4-9 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Norman Fuller officiating. Burial will be at South Scott Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the family.

W. Grey Stone II

CORUNNA — W. Grey Stone II, 66, died Saturday in his Corunna home.

Mr. Stone was a potter, artist, and art teacher. He owned and operated Stone Family Guild for 14 years. He worked at Colwell General in Kendallville for over seven years. He was a corporal in the Army Signal Corps and was a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism.

He was born March 4, 1931, in Berkeley, Calif., to the late W. Grey Stone Sr. and Fairfax (Plaskett) Stone.

He married his wife, Audrey, on July 11, 1959, in Clinton, Tenn., and she survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Charles John Oden of Auburn, Frank David Stone of Columbus, Ohio, W. Grey Stone III of Corunna and Steven Michael Stone of Denver; six daughters, Rita Catherine Hinz of Columbus, Mary Langston of Kingston, Tenn., Susan Oden-Lewis of Indianapolis, Diana Fawn Gore of Jemez Springs, N.M., Robin Stoneking of Frederick, Md., and Laurel Hemphill of Britton, Mich.; one brother, Ernest Stone of Marietta, Ga.; 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Three brothers preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be conducted Wednesday at 4 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Edith Bonar**, 84, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 4-9 p.m. today.

KENDALLVILLE — **Selsus "Dick" Meade**, 49, died Friday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Bethel Christian Baptist Church, Kendallville, with additional services today at 7 p.m. Calling after 4 p.m. today at the church.

KENDALLVILLE — **Helen Marie Nurenberg**, 87, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there one hour before services on Wednesday.

KIMMELL — **Ortho P. "Pete" Weaver**, 92, died Friday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-8 p.m. today.

LAGRANGE — **Neal R. Harris**, 90, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

ROME CITY — **Eli K. Kauffman**, 75, died Friday. Services were today in Topeka.

SYRACUSE — **Monty Shoemaker**, 70, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel. No calling.

SYRACUSE — **Harold DeVoe Stahly**, 90, died Saturday. Graveside services at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Syracuse Cemetery. Calling noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday in Eastlund Home, Harris Chapel.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Opal Irene Brunner**, 91, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Columbia City United Methodist Church. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Kenneth V. Wilkerson**, died Wednesday. Prayer services at 6:30 p.m. today in Shoda-Wilkineon Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 1-4 and 5-7 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Doris Henderson

KENDALLVILLE — Doris A. Henderson, 74, of Kendallville, died Monday at 7:59 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mrs. Henderson was a homemaker. She was a member of the Auburn Moose Lodge and Auburn American Legion.

She was born April 28, 1923, in Ashley to the late Floyd and Ruby (Johnston) Dixon. She married Dale Henderson on Oct. 10, 1945, and he died in 1980.

Surviving are two sons, Linden and Gary, both of Waterloo; one daughter, Cheryl Morr of Kendallville; two sisters, Marjorie Strite of Auburn and Annabelle Dixon of California; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One sister, Margarite Fish, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Thomas Baker

VEVAY — Thomas W. "Tom" Baker, 31, formerly of Cromwell, died Wednesday at home.

The Kendallville native had been employed at American Stainless Steel.

Surviving are his parents, Richard D. and Rosalie Baker, both of Vinita, Okla.; a son, Brandon Grayson of Angola; two brothers, William D. Baker of Ligonier and Richard D. Baker Jr. of Fort Wayne; a sister, Tammy Hochstetler of Topeka; his grandparents, Fillmore and Pauline Price of Lakeland, Fla., and a friend, Dorothy R. Lane of Vevay.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Cromwell United Methodist Church.

Preferred memorials are to Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Audrey Boling

FORT WAYNE — Audrey M. Boling, 79, died Sunday at 10:37 a.m. in her Fort Wayne home.

She was a homemaker and a member of Risen Savior Lutheran Church. She was a lifetime Fort Wayne resident.

She was born Oct. 23, 1918, in Fort Wayne to the late Frank J. and Mary M. (Houser) Huegenard.

Surviving her are four daughters, Emily M. Heymann of Auburn, Connie L. Shanks and Joan M. Headlee, both of Fort Wayne, and Roberta J. Knutson of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; one son, Mark W. of Auburn; one sister, Ruth J. Nowell of Fort Wayne; 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in Risen Savior Lutheran Church, 7935 Scottwood Court, Fort Wayne, with Pastor Russell Shook officiating. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to National Parkinson's Foundation for Research, 1501 NW 9th Avenue-Bob Hope Road, Miami FL 33136.

D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Sue Orwig

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Sue Ann Platt Orwig, 63, died Sunday in the Ohio State University Hospital at Columbus, Ohio.

She is survived by her husband, Wayne Orwig; three daughters, Vicki Sue (Mrs. Michael) Miller of Delaware, Ohio, and Sherri Lynn Kimball of Columbus, Ohio; three sisters, Bertha Waymire of Pleasant Lake, Pauline Barron of Odessa, Texas and Martha Hanby of Waxahachie, Texas; one brother, Jerry Platt of Hudson; and two grandchildren, Kyle and Ashley Kimball.

Two brothers, Dayton Everetts and Russell Platt, preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Saturday, Feb. 14, at 11 a.m. in Mount Zion United Methodist Church on South Golden Lake Road, Golden Lake, with the Rev. Glenda Woodcox officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Zion Cemetery.

Friends may call Friday from 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo, and one hour before the funeral services Saturday at the church.

Memorial donations may be made to the church.

Robert Sample

BUTLER — Robert L. Sample, 67, died Monday at 3:45 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mr. Sample worked for Rise Inc. in Angola for several years.

He was born Jan. 29, 1931. There are no known survivors.

There will be no calling hours or services. H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Helen Gunderman

CHURUBUSCO — Helen A. Gunderman, 76, of Churubusco and formerly of Paulding, Ohio, was found dead at 6 p.m. Friday in her home west of Churubusco.

She was born Dec. 14, 1921, in Paulding County, Ohio, to Harry and Opal (Fast) Dangler. On June 9, 1939, in Covington, Ky., she married Walter L. Gunderman. He preceded her in death Dec. 3, 1987.

Mrs. Gunderman was a member of Emanuel Baptist Church in Paulding, and attended Good News Baptist Church in Churubusco.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Kenneth (Kelly) Beahrs of Churubusco; a son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Charlotte Gunderman of Oakdale, Calif.; a brother, Harry Dangler of Findlay, Ohio; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Bruce Gunderman; a daughter, Carol Hefner; and two sisters, Ruth Stahlman and Mary Lou Miller.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. today in Den Herder Funeral Home in Paulding. Burial was in Blue Creek Cemetery, Paulding County.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco was in charge of local arrangements.

Evening Star, Tues., Feb 10, 1998 (cont'd)

Martha Reed

GARRETT — Martha Josephine Reed, 78, died today at 4 a.m. in Courtland Health Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Reed formerly lived in Garrett. She was a school lunch worker in the Garrett-Keyser-Butler school district for 25 years, retiring in 1981. She was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church and a former member of the LaGrange Garden Club and LaGrange County Senior Citizens.

She was born Aug. 3, 1919, in Mercer County, Ohio, to the late Lloyd and Nellie (Reynolds) Greenawalt.

She married Ervin Reed on Aug. 7, 1937, in Mercer County, and he died April 29, 1989.

Surviving her are one son and daughter-in-law, John and Sharon Reed of Fort Wayne; two daughters and sons-in-law, Judith Ann and Harold Kleeman of Garrett, and Marilyn and Charles McNall of Fort Wayne; one brother, Wilbur Greenawalt of Adariha, Ohio; a sister, Helen Wells of Ashland, Ohio; 17 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Two brothers, Raymond and Donald Greenawalt of Fort Wayne, and one sister, Inez Baker, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. William Lawser officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Genevieve Pepple

ASHLEY — Genevieve Mae Pepple, 75, died Monday morning in her home at Ashley-Hudson Manor.

Mrs. Pepple was a homemaker and also worked at General Electric Co. and U.S. Rubber Co., both in Fort Wayne. She was a member of the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

She was born Jan. 24, 1923, in Whitley County to the late Robert and Elsie (Yates) Freeman.

She married Robert Pepple, who died June 26, 1980.

Surviving her are one son, Floyd Lee Barrand of Auburn; eight grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, and 27 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Barbara Pepple and Dorcas Cartwright; one brother, Winfield Freeman; and two sisters, Easter Longley and Pauline Quinn.

Friends may call Wednesday from 1-3 and 6-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Craig Burkholder of the Hudson United Brethren Church officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Ashley-Hudson Manor.

Robert Courtney

ANGOLA — Robert C. Courtney, 74, of Angola, died Feb. 3 at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital.

Mr. Courtney was a truck driver for Sheets LP Gas and S&S Oil Co. He was a member of the Metz Christian Church and the Angola post of the American Legion. He resided in Angola 70 years.

He was born Sept. 16, 1923, in Columbia City to the late Vaughn and Elsie Clair Courtney.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys Smith Courtney, whom he married March 11, 1944.

Also surviving are a son, Michael Courtney of Angola; a daughter, Patricia Hall of LaGrange; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were a son, Terry Courtney; a granddaughter, Hattie Courtney; and a grandson, Shawn Courtney.

There will be no calling.

Graveside memorial services will take place Sunday at 2 p.m. in Powers Cemetery, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Military services will be performed by Angola American Legion Post 31.

Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Hospice and Home Health Care and to the Steuben County Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Ruth I. Weimer**, 79, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, and one hour before services at the church on Thursday.

ROME CITY — **Marcella M. Masters**, 80, died Saturday. Services 11 a.m. Thursday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., Feb. 11, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Rita Skevington

ROME CITY — Rita Elizabeth Skevington, 77, of Rome City, died at 5:06 p.m. Monday in St. Joseph Medical Center.

She was born in Derry, Pa., on July 28, 1920, to Clair and Clara (Bridge) Oligher. On Aug. 11, 1947, in Fort Wayne, she married Thomas Henry Skevington Sr. He preceded her in death May 15, 1993.

Mrs. Skevington, a homemaker, moved to Rome City 25 years ago from Fort Wayne. She was a member of St. Gaspar Catholic Church in Rome City and American Legion Post 281 in Rome City.

Surviving are three daughters, Clara Jane Miller of Fort Wayne, Anna M. Antoine of Angola, and Barbara H. Boyles of Rome City; three sons, Thomas H. Skevington Jr. of Fort Wayne, Mark W. Skevington of Rome City, and Stephen D. Skevington of Tampa, Fla.; a sister, Mary Cripe of Fort Wayne; 17 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Rose Swain and Agnes Forni; and a brother, George Oligher.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Gaspar Catholic Church, Rome City. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Visitation is from 3-8 p.m. Thursday in Hutchins Funeral Home where services will be conducted by American Legion Post 381 Auxiliary at 7 p.m. and the rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. There will be additional calling one hour before services.

Preferred memorials are to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Sanford E. "Sam" Jacoby**, 79, former Kendallville police chief, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Trinity Church United Methodist. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday in Hite Funeral Home, and one hour before services at the church on Friday.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Reece Roberts**, 67, died Tuesday. Services at 1 p.m. Friday in Independent Baptist Church, South Milford, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Thursday and Friday morning until services.

Deaths/Funerals

Rosie Belcher

AUBURN — Rosie Z. Belcher, 76, of Auburn, died Thursday at 11:30 a.m. in Auburn Health Care Center.

She was born May 14, 1921, in Bradshaw, W.V., to Harison and Besse Mae (Ratliff) Combs. She married Pauley Belcher in 1942 in Belcher, Ky., and he preceded her in death in May 1987.

She had been employed by Universal Tool and Stamping in Butler.

She is survived by three daughters, Brenda Belcher of Garrett, Betty Heckley of Fremont, and Pauletta Sumner of Butler; a sister, Quanita Elkins of Michigan; 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

A son, James, and two brothers, Woodrow and Dan Combs, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will begin at noon Sunday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Ralph Diehl officiating. Burial will be in New Belville Ridge Cemetery, Dowling, Ohio.

Friends may call Saturday from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association.

Aetna Weicht

FREMONT — Aetna Catherine Weicht, 80, of Fremont, died Thursday at 7:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Weicht was a homemaker and a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Coldwater, Mich.

She was born Jan. 11, 1918, in Fort Wayne to the late Harry and Clara (O'Conner) McMillan.

Surviving are two sons, Gary Weicht of Fort Wayne and Larry Weicht of Angola; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Ada Reed of St. Paul, Minn.; and two brothers, Wayne McMillan of Florida, and Erwin McMillan of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Olen Weicht, in 1992; a daughter, Diane; and a grandson, Douglas.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-8 p.m. Sunday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Maplegrove Cemetery, Edgerton, Ohio.

Wayne Morrical

GRABILL — Wayne E. "Moose" Morrical, 63, died Thursday morning at his home in Grabill.

Mr. Morrical was a sergeant for the Allen County Police Department when he retired in 1989 after 27 years of service. For many years he grew and sold moose melons. He was a U.S. Navy Korean veteran.

He was born in Hartford City on May 8, 1934, to the late Everett and Geneive (Logan) Morrical.

He married Phyllis Lantz in 1956 and she survives in Grabill.

He also is survived by two sons, Timothy of Fort Wayne and Thomas of Grabill; four grandchildren, Katie, Gary, Chloe and Patrick; and a sister, Beverly French of Gaston.

A private family service will be conducted Sunday at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Spencerville. The family will receive guests at the Cedar Creek Golf Club on Sunday from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grabill Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 322, Grabill, IN 46741.

Arrangements are being made by Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Verna M. Biggs**, 75, died Tuesday. Memorial services at 11 a.m. Feb. 21 in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe. No calling.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Joseph D. "Joe" Weirich**, 78, died Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Monday in Marion Mennonite Church, Howe. Visitation is from 2-6 p.m. Sunday and one hour before services on Monday at the church.

COLUMBIA CITY — **George W. Carter**, 69, died Wednesday. Graveside services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Thorn Cemetery, Ormas. Calling an hour before services at Smith and Sons Funeral Home.

Deaths/Funerals

Wanda Gray

ANGOLA — Wanda M. Gray, 85, of Angola, died Tuesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Gray was a secretary and retired from Steuben County Farm Bureau Insurance Co. in 1975. She was a member of the Angola American Legion Auxiliary Post 31, the 40&8 and Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

She was born Feb. 2, 1913, in Steuben County to the late Alice Erwin and Ulie Huber. She lived in Angola all of her life.

On Oct. 30, 1937, she married Lewis F. Gray, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Larry Gray of Clarksville, Tenn.; a daughter, Jeanne Romero of Angola; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a brother and a grandchild, David Romero.

There will be no calling or services. Arrangements are being made by Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Hatler Conn

GARRETT — Hatler Conn, 71, of Garrett, died at 5:36 a.m. Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn. He had been in failing health one year.

He was born in Martin, Ky., June 19, 1926, to Elkanie and Emily (Crumm) Conn. He married Mary Rodman and she preceded him in death.

Mr. Conn had been a coal miner.

Surviving are two daughters, Patricia L. Snook of Garrett, and Arizona Conn, address unknown; two sons, Estill D. Conn and Charles W. Conn, both of Garrett; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, six brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. Friday and two hours before services on Saturday.

Carl Lumpkins

DEFIANCE, Ohio — Carl E. Lumpkins, 73, died Wednesday at 5:30 a.m. in the VA Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Lumpkins worked at Chase-Brass in Montpelier, Ohio, and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. He attended Poplar Ridge Church of the Brethren. He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3360 and the Moose Lodge of Defiance, Ohio. He lived in Defiance.

He was born March 8, 1924, in Greenup, Ky., to the late Ruben J. and Evaline (Mullins) Lumpkins.

His first wife, Jean Potter Lumpkins, preceded him in death. He then married Thelma Allen on Oct. 27, 1967, and she survives.

Also surviving are a son, Duwayne of Dayton, Ohio; a daughter, Delilah Bidlack of Defiance; a brother, Laben of Waterloo; two sisters, Vera Guilkey of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Ruby Holt of Friendship, Ohio; a stepson, Arthur Flory of Defiance; seven stepgrandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one stepson, Elmer Flory, five sisters and three brothers.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. in Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home, Defiance.

Services will take place Saturday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Glen Whisler officiating. Burial will be in Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance.

VFW Post 3360 will conduct a graveside service Sunday.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Claudena Jordan

GARRETT — Claudena P. Jordan, 82, died Wednesday at 2:45 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mrs. Jordan was a homemaker. She owned and operated the Suburban Gift Shop in Garrett for 10 years.

She was born June 5, 1915, in LaGrange County to the late Glen and Myrtle Forbes.

She married Loyal W. Jordan on April 14, 1938, in Garrett, and he died in 1991.

Surviving her are a daughter and son-in-law, Beverly M. and Ray Stahl of Garrett; one stepgrandaughter and one stepgreat-grandson.

A sister, Glendora Forbes, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will take place Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John Karn officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Evening Star, Thurs., Feb. 12, 1998 (cont'd)

Howard Bard

CORUNNA — Howard O. Bard, 88, died Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in his Corunna home.

Mr. Bard was a brakeman for the New York Central Railroad, then was a business partner with his brother at the Corunna Feed & Grain Elevator. He worked for McCray Refrigeration in Kendallville for 40 years, and also worked for the Auburn Foundry.

He was born Sept. 25, 1909, in DeKalb County to the late Edwin and Jennie (Benjamin) Bard.

He married Wilma Becker on June 9, 1935, in South Whitley, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Gordon of Elgin, Ill., Dean of Islamorada, Fla., and Gene of Columbia, Mo.; three grandchildren, Debbie Hall, Gerrad Bard and Blake Bard; and two great-grandsons, Mike and Nick Hale.

He was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Denise Bard; two brothers, Chester and Robert; and three sisters, Edith Wilhelm, Dorothy Sellers and Mina Hawk.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **James L. Lowe**, 5, died Wednesday. Services at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there from 2 p.m. until services.

KENDALLVILLE — **Catherine L. Boszor**, 76, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Leona Mae Grossman**, 76, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Lola E. Pressler**, 94, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 4-7 p.m. Friday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Wendell D. Shroyer**, 72, died Tuesday. Services and burial will be Friday in Florida.

Deaths/Funerals

Donald Pontius

CHURUBUSCO — Donald L. Pontius, 58, of Churubusco, died at 1:36 a.m. Friday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Pontius was employed as a truck driver for Martin, Inc., in Fort Wayne, and retired in 1996 after 30 years. He was a member of the Green Center United Methodist Church.

He was born in Kendallville on March 17, 1939 to Russell and Alice (Smith) Pontius, and spent all of his formative years in that community. On Nov. 22, 1962, he married Eileen Younis, who survives. The couple lived in Churubusco for 30 years.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Larry (Penny) Schulz, Ney, Ohio, and Mrs. Tim (Lisa) Liggett, Churubusco; one son, Rex Pontius, Bryan, Ohio; one sister, Geneva Porter, Stroh; two brothers, Dick Pontius and Allen Pontius, both of Kendallville, and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sisters.

Friends may call at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco on Sunday from 3-8 p.m., and at the church one hour prior to the funeral services on Monday.

Services will be held Monday at 10 a.m. in Green Center United Methodist Church, with Pastors Austin and Nancy Fergusson officiating. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery, south of Churubusco.

Memorials may be directed to Green Center United Methodist Church.

Franklin Hart

KENDALLVILLE — Franklin L. Hart, 69, died Friday morning at Vencor Hospital, LaGrange, after being in failing health for three months.

He was a farmer and worked for Jaquay Janitorial in Kendallville. He was a member of New Hope Baptist Church in Kendallville, Eagles Lodge 985, and lived in Kendallville.

Mr. Hart was born March 22, 1928, in LaGrange to Fearon and Clela (Cox) Hart.

Surviving him are his wife, LuAnn (Marshall) Hart; one daughter, Tammy Lee Danning of Kendallville; one stepdaughter, Katrina Marie Carper of Kendallville; one sister, Betty Jaquay of Rome City; three brothers, William of Kendallville, A. Wayne of Avilla and Herbert of Corunna; and four grandchildren, Michael Danning, Lana Christian, Lonnie Christian and Destiny Carper, all of Kendallville.

Friends may call today from 4-9 p.m. in New Hope Baptist Church, rural Kendallville.

Services will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. in the church, with the Rev. Bill Johnson officiating. Burial will take place in Rehobeth Cemetery, Albion.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Beaulah Foster

FREMONT — Beaulah Kay Foster, 64, died Wednesday at her home in Fremont.

Mrs. Foster was a homemaker. She was born Jan. 4, 1934, in Magoffin County, Ky., to Joseph and Blancha (Howard) Neely. She married Robert W. Foster, who survives in Coldwater, Mich.

She is also survived by two sons, Robert Joseph Foster, Coldwater, Mich., and Richard Gene Foster, Austin, Minn.; two grandsons, Robert Samuel Foster and Peter Joseph Foster, both of Coldwater, Mich.; his mother, Blancha Neely, Fremont; two sisters, Dora May Blue, Elkhart, and Carol Faye Foster, Fremont; and one brother, Gene Neely, of Florida.

Friends may call Tuesday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Michael Dilts officiating. Burial will take place at a later date.

Jerold Essenberg

ANGOLA — Jerold P. "Jud" Essenberg, 89, died Thursday at 6:28 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Essenberg was vice-president at W.R. Thomas, LaGrange, Warsaw and Angola, for 35 years, retiring in 1965.

He was a member of the Angola Christian Church, a 50-year member and past president of Angola Rotary and War Bond Chairman of Steuben County.

He was born Feb. 10, 1909, in Holland, Mich., to Benjamin and Anne (Van Den Brink) Essenberg. Both are deceased.

He is survived by one daughter, Patricia Zynda, LaGrange; two sons, Jerry Essenberg, Alma, Mich., and Douglas Essenberg, Coopersville, Mich.; one stepdaughter, Jane Linscott, Strongsville, Ohio; two stepsons, Thomas Jack, LaGrange, and Jerry Jack, Angola; two brothers, Jack Essenberg, Warsaw, and Ted Essenberg, Grand Rapids, Mich.; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren and 16 stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Johanna G. Essenberg, and his second wife, Martha Essenberg.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will take place Sunday at 3 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorials may be given to the Angola Christian Church and Cameron Hospice and Home Health.

Evening Star, Sat., Feb. 14, 1998 (cont'd)

This obituary is being reprinted to correct errors.

Rita Skevington

ROME CITY — Rita Elizabeth Skevington, 78, of Rome City, died at 5:06 p.m. Monday in St. Joseph Medical Center.

She was born in Derry, Pa., on Jan. 28, 1920, to Clair and Clara (Bridge) Oligher. On Oct. 11, 1947, in Fort Wayne, she married Thomas Henry Skevington Sr. He preceded her in death May 15, 1993.

Mrs. Skevington, a homemaker, moved to Rome City 25 years ago from Fort Wayne. She was a member of St. Gaspar Catholic Church in Rome City and American Legion Post 381 in Rome City.

Surviving are three daughters, Clara Jane Miller of Fort Wayne, Anna M. Antoine of Angola, and Barbara H. Boyles of Rome City; three sons, Thomas H. Skevington Jr. of Fort Wayne, Mark W. Skevington of Rome City, and Stephen D. Skevington of Tampa, Fla.; a sister, Mary Cripe of Fort Wayne; 17 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Rose Swain and Agnes Forni; and a brother, George Oligher.

Funeral services were held Friday in St. Gaspar Catholic Church, Rome City. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Pallbearers were Todd Skevington, Pat Skevington, Doug Gaunt, Darwin Boyles, Brian Gunder and Josh Gunder.

Preferred memorials are to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

Hutchins Funeral Home in Wolcottville was in charge of arrangements.

Deaths/Funerals

Doris Pinkerton

WATERLOO — Doris M. Pinkerton, 80, died Saturday at 11:55 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Mrs. Pinkerton was a homemaker and lived in Waterloo. She was a member and past president of the Grant Township Homemakers Club.

She was born Jan. 24, 1918, in Grant County to the late Claude and Beulah (West) Reynolds.

She married Norman Pinkerton on July 25, 1937, in Marion, and he died July 29, 1996.

Surviving her are four sons, Donald of Garrett, DeWayne of Medford, Ore., Phil of Kendallville, and Alvin of Waterloo; two daughters, Linda Colbart of Huntington and Carol Forbes of LaOtto; four brothers, Joseph Reynolds of Marion, Paul Reynolds of Jonesboro, James Reynolds of Woodbridge, Va., and Charles Reynolds of Battleground, Wash.; six sisters, Mildred Kierstead of Gas City, Martha Reynolds of Fort Wayne, Pearl Reynolds of Marion, Judith Morrow of Delphi, Janet Horn of Allepo, Pa., and Nancy Patillo of Bellview, Neb.; 20 grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Four brothers and three sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Tom Novy officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Sacred Heart Alzheimer's Unit-St. Clare Hall.

Marion Pennell

FREMONT — Marion Van Pennell, 83, of Fremont, died Wednesday at Northeast Methodist Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. Pennell had worked as a machinist at the Dana Weatherhead plant in Angola.

He was born April 23, 1914, in Steuben County to the late Ira and Mildred (Hall) Pennell.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara (and husband, Tom) Watson of Live Oak, Texas; three grandchildren; and a brother, Charles Pennell of Fremont.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel, in 1986, a brother and a sister.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. George DeVore officiating. Burial will be in Jordan Cemetery, Steuben County.

Alice McFarland

FORT WAYNE — Alice M. McFarland, 77, of Fort Wayne, died at 9:10 a.m. Sunday in Miller's Merry Manor, Fort Wayne.

She was born Sept. 15, 1920, in Fort Wayne to Charles and Ida (Saunders) Roberson. In 1967, she married Paul McFarland, who preceded her in death in 1969.

Mrs. McFarland was formerly employed as a nurses' aide at Glen Acres Nursing Home in Fort Wayne. She had moved away but returned to Fort Wayne in 1997 from Brisbane, Calif. She attended Cedarville Community Church

Surviving are four sons, Roy Emerich of Huntertown, Thomas Roberson of Springfield, Ohio, Kenneth Allen of Fort Wayne, and Henry Parton of Leo; a daughter, Mary Grimes of Columbia City; a brother, Paul Roberson of Garrett; two sisters, Dovie Schell of Port Clinton, Wash., and Margaret Tarlton of Garrett; 12 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with the Rev. Monte Sheets of Cedarville Community Church officiating. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Cedarville Community Church.

Ida Alleshouse

PLEASANT LAKE — Ida Arlene Alleshouse, 80, of rural Pleasant Lake, died at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in her residence.

She was born in Roseau County, Minn., Aug. 13, 1917, to William P. and Isabella (Reade) Davis. On May 23, 1933, in Kendallville, she married Dale W. Alleshouse. He survives.

Mrs. Alleshouse had lived in rural Pleasant Lake 75 years and was a graduate of Salem Center High School. She had been employed eight years by Western Auto, and for 10 years worked in the Prairie Heights school cafeteria. She was a member of Salem Center Presbyterian Church and its women's society and The Card Club.

Surviving with her husband are two sons, Lyn L. Alleshouse of Kendallville, and Ray W. Alleshouse of rural Pleasant Lake; two sisters, Annie Isobelle of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Leona Stovall of Vancouver, Mich.; a brother, Glen Davis of Dallas, Ore.; six grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Cecil, in 1940; a grandson, Kevin Ray Alleshouse; a great-granddaughter, Amanda Lynn Childers; three brothers; and a sister.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Howard Compton officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, rural Angola.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to United Presbyterian Women's Association of Salem Center Presbyterian Church.

Evening Star, Mon., Feb 16, 1998 (cont'd)

Lawrence Smith

AUBURN — Lawrence B. Smith, 78, died Sunday at 9:35 a.m. in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home in Kendallville.

Mr. Smith retired in 1981 with 20 years of service at Structural Steel, Fort Wayne, and was a self-employed farmer. He lived in rural Auburn.

He was born Aug. 12, 1919, in Monroeville, N.J. to the late Warren and Jenny (McClure) Smith.

He married Eileen M. Johnson on May 4, 1946, in Fort Wayne, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Russell C. of Albion and David L. of Middlebury; four daughters, Waureen E. Sanders of Plano, Texas, Kathleen I. Barry of Auburn, Christeen M. Smith and Robyn A. Feagler, both of Garrett; and eight grandchildren.

One brother, Wilbert, and one sister, Alice, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 3-5 and 6-8 p..m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Roger Olson, chaplain of Shepherd of the Hill, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the east wing of Shepherd of the Hill.

Dail Treesh

WATERLOO — Dail W. Treesh, 90, died Sunday at 4:45 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mr. Treesh worked in Bill Bennett's Body Shop in Avilla for four years, and for Hanblin Body shop in Battle Creek, Mich., for 20 years. He was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

He was born Feb. 14, 1908, in DeKalb County to the late Adam and Harriet (Winebrenner) Treesh.

He married Hilda Boyd on Jan. 28, 1933, in Auburn and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Betty Martin of Otsego, Mich., Barbara Haist of Galesburg, Mich., and Sharon Rowe of Waterloo; one brother, Paul of Goshen; one sister, Ethel Logan of Auburn; one sister-in-law that he raised, Lois Wagoner of Bellevue, Mich.; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Five sisters preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to St. Michael's Catholic Church or the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Thelma M. Jones**, 85, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in St. John Bosco Catholic Church. Calling 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. today in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco.

CROMWELL — **Roman Quintero** (also known as Oziris Garcia), 28, died Thursday from injuries suffered in an auto accident. Services Wednesday in San Juan, Texas.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Esta W. Keirn**, 92, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. today in Shoda Wilkinson Funeral Home, Columbia City.

LIGONIER — **Betty Jean Gard**, 59, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. today.

LIGONIER — **Yolanda Hernandez**, 42, died Thursday from injuries suffered in an auto accident. Services Tuesday in Donna, Texas.

The Evening Star, Tues., Feb. 17, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Stanley Fredrick

AUBURN — Stanley A. Fredrick, 62, died Sunday at 4:18 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital of an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Fredrick was self-employed and owned Hall Aluminum Products in Fort Wayne for over 30 years. He was a 1955 graduate of Purdue University and a veteran of the Air National Guard during the Korean Conflict.

He was a member of Leo American Legion Post 409 and the Purdue Alumni Association. He lived in Leo for 20 years before moving to Auburn four years ago.

He was born June 18, 1935, in Monroeville to the late Martin E. and Marguerite E. (Gable) Fredrick.

He married Mary L. Heckman on June 24, 1974, in Fort Wayne, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, J. Scott Fredrick of Irvine, Calif., and M. Dean Fredrick and Mark E. Linker, both of Fort Wayne; two daughters, April K. Root of Irvine and Amy L. Sobieski of Garrett; one sister, Carolyn S. (Mrs. Irvin) Hoffman of Monroeville; and one grandchild.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Richard, at age 18, and Bernard, an infant; and twin sisters, Dianna and Diona, also infants.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home-Jacobs Chapel, Monroeville.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Herb Schumm officiating. Burial will be in Marquardt Lutheran Cemetery, Monroeville, with a military graveside service by Monroeville posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Purdue University Athletic Department.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Earl G. Leighty Jr.**, 75, died Sunday. Services at 3 p.m. Friday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there from 1 p.m. until services.

LAGRANGE — **Hyacinth Lillian Fuller**, 84, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

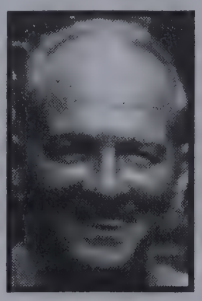
LAGRANGE — **Jasper M. "Jack" VanderWiere**, 88, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Elsie Zumbrun**, 78, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling there from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Deaths/Funerals

Paul Fulk

KENDALLVILLE — Paul E. Fulk, 72, of Kendallville, died at 9:20 p.m. Monday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been seriously ill the past three months.


Fulk

He was born in Ege on Aug. 15, 1925, to Frank and Bertha (Eberly) Fulk. On Jan. 28, 1950, in Columbia City, he married Joan Wappes. She survives.

Mr. Fulk, a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy, was retired from General Electric after 40 years. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, American Legion Post 86, and a life member of VFW Post 2749, all in Kendallville.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Debra Oaks of Avilla, and Mrs. Sherrill (Paula) Kammerer of Kendallville; a son, Stephen Fulk of Fremont; a sister, Velda Sherwood of Churubusco; a brother, Jesse Fulk of LaOtto; six grandchildren, Karla, Kelly and Klint Kammerer, all of Kendallville, Matthew and Brandon Oaks of Avilla, and Michael Fulk of Fremont; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Melvin Fulk, and a sister, Ruth Livergood.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Kendallville, with the Rev. Jacob Gall officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

There is no visitation.

Preferred memorials are to VFW Post 2749, Kendallville.

Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Earl Bishop

GARRETT — Earl Bishop, 80, of Garrett, died today at 4:55 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He was born Aug. 31, 1917, in Garrett and was a lifetime Garrett resident.

He was a World War II Army veteran. In 1971 he retired from the B&O Railroad with 32 years of service as an engineer.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, American Legion Post 178 in Garrett, Garrett Eagles Lodge 1357, and the Garrett Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a 1936 graduate of Garrett High School.

On Feb. 14, 1946, he married Ruth Ackerman. She died June 17, 1997.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Scott and Cande Bishop, of Garrett; two grandchildren, Scott and Amanda Bishop, both of Garrett; and a great-grandson, Andrew Bishop.

A half-brother, Glenn Bishop, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Funeral services are pending for Friday.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph School or Garrett Little League Baseball.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Clarence William Hine**, 90, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home.

Deaths/Funerals

Thomas Duesler

HENDERSON, Nev. — Thomas Wayne Duesler, 45, died Tuesday at 5:05 p.m. in Columbia Sunrise Hospital at Henderson, Nev.

He had been fighting acute promyelocytic leukemia since 1995, and died of a massive stroke.

Mr. Duesler was a production foreman at Metal Manufacturers in Henderson. He had served in the Air Force and was a Vietnam veteran. He was a member of the Southern Nevada Officials Association, and active for many years in Henderson Little League.

He was born Aug. 20, 1952, in the Sacred Heart Hospital in Garrett to Donald and Ethel Duesler. His parents survive in Auburn.

On Dec. 16, 1973, he married Deborah Ann (Pugh) Duesler at Nellis Air Force Base in Las Vegas, Nev. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Lindsay, and one son, Christopher, both of Henderson, Nev.

His sister, Vicki Jean, died May 10, 1972.

A rosary service will begin tonight at 6 (Nevada time) at Palm Mortuary, 800 S. Boulder Hwy., Henderson.

A funeral Mass will begin at 9 a.m. Friday at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Henderson. Burial will be in the Southern Nevada Veterans Cemetery in Boulder City, Nev.

Memorials may be sent to the Tom Duesler Memorial Fund, 647 Glenwood Lane, Henderson, Nev., 89015, or to the Ronald McDonald House, 405 E. 73rd St., New York, N.Y., 10021.

Earl Bishop

GARRETT — Earl Bishop, 80, of Garrett, died Wednesday at 4:55 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Bishop was born Aug. 31, 1917, in Garrett and was a lifetime Garrett resident.

He was a World War II Army veteran. In 1971 he retired from the B&O Railroad with 32 years of service as an engineer.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, American Legion Post 178 in Garrett, Garrett Eagles Lodge 1357, and the Garrett Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a 1936 graduate of Garrett High School.

On Feb. 14, 1946, he married Ruth Ackerman. She died June 17, 1997.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Scott and Cande Bishop, of Garrett; two grandchildren, Scott and Amanda Bishop, both of Garrett; and a great-grandson, Andrew Bishop.

A half-brother, Glenn Bishop, preceded him in death.

Friends may call tonight from 6-8 at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. A rosary service will be conducted at 7:30 tonight in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Father Raymond Balzer of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, officiating.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph School or Garrett Little League Baseball.

Robert Lusk

ANGOLA — Robert S. Lusk, 84, of Angola, died Wednesday at his home.

Mr. Lusk was a farmer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bluffton and Alpha Farmers Club of Steuben County, a board member and past vice-president of the Steuben County Farm Bureau, Inc., and the third president of the Wells County 4-H Association.

He retired in 1975 from Dana Weatherhead. He also worked at General Electric in Fort Wayne and for Ware Baker Implement for six years in Bluffton.

He was born Feb. 22, 1913, in Wells County to the late Charles R. and Margaret Ann Smith Lusk.

He was married May 29, 1936, to Margaret L. Robbins, who survives him.

Also surviving are a son, John R. Lusk of Angola; three daughters, Ann German of Angola; Jacquelyn Jack of Angola; and Rebecca Swanson of San Diego, Calif.; a brother, James B. Lusk of Tucson, Ariz.; 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Also preceding him in death was a son, Robert W. Lusk, in 1991.

Calling will be from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola.

Services will take place Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home with the Rev. Stan Gockel officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery in Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Health Care and Hospice.

Ottilee Minnick

GARRETT — Ottilee J. Minnick, 76, died today at 1 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She was a homemaker and had lived in Garrett most of her life.

She was born Feb. 28, 1921, in Albion to the late Walter M. and Dessie Q. (Hile) Hall.

Surviving her are two daughters, Carolyn A. DePaolo of Bloomington and Anita L. Sloffer of Huntertown; one sister, Imogene Kronmuller of Garrett; three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and one stepgreat-grandchild.

Two brothers, Vance and Glade Hall, and one grandchild preceded her in death.

A graveside service will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church, Garrett, will officiate. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Lung Association.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Fri., Feb. 20, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Belle Emerick

STROH — Belle I. Emerick, 83, formerly of Stroh, died Thursday in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

She was born in Stroh Dec. 14, 1914, to Elam and Julie (Nettle) Randol. On July 23, 1938, in LaGrange, she married Vern H. Emerick. He preceded her in death June 8, 1968.

Mrs. Emerick, a homemaker, had lived in LaGrange County before moving to the nursing home.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. James (Iona) Walb, Mrs. Ernest (Marcella) Mason and Dixie Green, all of LaGrange; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

A son, Danny Emerick, preceded her in death in 1980.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Fruip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Rick Davis officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Pisgah Cemetery, LaGrange.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Fruip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

James McCormick

KENDALLVILLE — James W. McCormick, 68, of Kendallville, died at 1 a.m. today in McCray Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Auburn Nov. 29, 1929, to Frank and Dorothy (Bennett) McCormick. On June 21, 1951, in Angola, he married Elouise Murphy. She survives.

Mr. McCormick, a 1949 graduate of Kendallville High School, was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He had been employed by McCray Refrigerator Co. for 24 years and for Flint & Walling Mfg. 20 years, retiring from there in 1993. He was a member of Trinity Church United Methodist, American Legion Post 86 and VFW Post 2749, all in Kendallville.

He was active in youth sports for a number of years, coaching flag football and baseball. Following his retirement, his hobby was crafting toy games.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Brenda S. Bish of Brimfield; two sons, James W. McCormick II of Kendallville, and Bennie L. McCormick, at home; a sister, Jeannette Kurtz of Kendallville; five grandchildren, Amanda McCormick of Dallas, Texas, Jennifer Clauss of Kendallville, Crystal Rodman of Brimfield, Jennifer Bower of Fort Wayne, and Austin McCormick of Garrett; and two great-grandchildren, Nicholas Terry of Kendallville, and Kimberly Vanderpool of Brimfield.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Ruth Ann Mitchell and Jo Ellen Mason; and a half-brother, Roy McCormick.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Trinity Church United Methodist, Kendallville, with the Rev. Dr. Dale Mendenhall and the Rev. Dr. Daniel Barker officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity Church United Methodist.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Peggy L. Nicolet**, 57, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there from 4-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Katrina Crager

CORUNNA — Katrina Kayla Crager, 7, died in a car accident Friday morning.

She was a first-grader at Country Meadows Elementary School in Ashley, and a member of the Garrett Nazarene Church.

Katrina Crager

Katrina was born on Oct. 4, 1990, in Auburn to Josh Randell "Randy" and Bobbie (Bock) Crager.

She is survived by her parents and a brother, David Randell Crager at home; three grandparents Herman and Vessie Crager of Corunna, and Donna Jean Bock of Waterloo; two great-grandparents, Effie Crager of Heuyville, Ky., and Oma Hicks of Garrett, Ky.; and several aunts and cousins.

She was preceded in death by a grandfather, Robert Wayne Bock.

Services will be held Monday at 2:30 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo, with the Rev. William Hodge and the Rev. Ron Shambaugh officiating. Friends may call Sunday from 12-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

John Evans

AUBURN — John W. Evans, 71, died Wednesday at 7:16 p.m. in El Dorado Hospital at Tucson, Ariz.

Mr. Evans retired in 1986 from Dana Corp. in Auburn with 25 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of Auburn's American Legion Post 97, the Waterloo post of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Garrett Eagles Lodge.

He was born April 25, 1926, in Hardin County, Ohio, to the late Howard and Erma (Richards) Evans.

He married Carol A. Kirkpatrick on Jan. 14, 1989, in Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are six sons, Larry D. and Arthur L., both of Garrett, Rodney L. of Hamilton, Jon S. of Warsaw, Reginald P. of Angola and Paul L. of Sacramento, Calif.; two daughters, Penny D. Wolf of Garrett and Patsy M. Torrez of Sacramento, Calif.; two stepsons, Jeffrey Warner of Kendallville and Steven Warner of Fishers; one stepdaughter, Wilma E. Gahimer of Pensacola, Fla.; one brother, Wilbur; three sisters, Jean, Doris and Joan; 35 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

One sister and one stepson preceded him in death.

Friends may call Monday from 2-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jerel Book of Christian Union Brethren in Christ Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett, with a graveside military service by Auburn American Legion Post 97.

Peggye Lortie

GARRETT — Peggye J. Lortie, 46, died Friday at 7:40 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A Garrett resident, she worked 20 years at Renaissance Publishing Co., Auburn. She was a member of Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

Ms. Lortie was born Nov. 26, 1951, in Garrett to Maurice and Wilma (Elsner) Chisholm. Her mother survives in Garrett and her father is deceased.

Also surviving are one son, Michael Bonecutter of Garrett; a daughter, Nicole Lortie of Garrett; and three brothers, Donald Chisholm of Springfield, Ohio, Jerald Chisholm of LaOtto and Leon Chisholm of Garrett.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John McFarland officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

Helen Ewbank

FRANKFORT — Helen Louise Ewbank, 87, died Friday at 4:50 a.m. in Milner Community Health Care Center.

A homemaker, she lived most of her life in Frankfort. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Frankfort and was involved in a flower ministry.

She was born Aug. 26, 1911, to the late Richard and Sallie (Bowden) Marshall.

She married Raymond Jackson Ewbank on May 21, 1931; and he died March 4, 1970.

Surviving are one daughter, Sallie A. Maish of Auburn; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Private services will be conducted at Frye and Genda Funeral Home, Frankfort, with Pastor Patrick Smith officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to Presbyterian Stephen's Ministry or the flower fund.

Dr. Robert Bryan

FORT PIERCE, FLA. — Robert E. Bryan, M.D., 76, of Fort Pierce, Fla., died Thursday.

Dr. Bryan was a native of Marion, Ind. moving to Fort Pierce in 1980 from Kendallville.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Kendallville. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 4-7 p.m. at the church.

The Evening Star, Sat., Feb. 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Doris Solliday

ANGOLA — Doris L. Solliday, 89, of Fremont, died Friday at Carlin Park Health Care Center in Angola.

Mrs. Solliday was a homemaker and a member of the Orland American Legion Auxiliary.

She was born March 16, 1908 in Argos to the late William Douglas and Lantie Wickizer Corey.

She is survived by two daughters, Doris Marks of Angola and Carlotta (and husband George) Roe of Rochester; a son, William F. Solliday of Marion; a sister, Rose Wilson of Merritt Island, Fla.; a brother, Mark Corey of Silver Lake; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Calling will take place from noon to 1 p.m. Monday at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Monday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Scott Shoaff officiating. Burial will be in Byers Cemetery in Syracuse. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Gladys M. McCoy**, 87, of Churubusco, died Friday at 5:25 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home, Columbia City. Funeral services Monday at 2 p.m. at the Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco. Calling Sunday, 2-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Harold Tilghman

AUBURN — Harold E. Tilghman, 70, died Friday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He retired in 1983 with 38 years as a machinist at Dana Corp., Auburn. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy and had lived in Auburn since 1943.

Mr. Tilghman was vice chairman of the CAP Council, and a member of UAW Local 164, Auburn American Legion Post 97, and the Garrett Eagles Lodge. He was a member of Auburn Moose Lodge 566, where he served as past governor, Legion of the Moose and Fellowship of the the Moose.

He was born July 10, 1927, in Middletown, Ohio, to the late Alpha and Irene (Womack) Tilghman.

He married Clarise J. Gee on July 10, 1947, in Winchester, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James E. of Kendallville and Barry W. of Auburn; one daughter, Diana J. Meschberger of Auburn; one brother, Willard of Auburn; two sisters, Mary Hurt of North Carolina and Darlene Harper of Virginia; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 3-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. A Moose Lodge service will take place tonight at 7:30 in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Robert Jarboe of Faith Chapel United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Alton Cemetery, rural St. Joe, with military graveside services by Auburn American Legion Post 97.

Memorial contributions may be given to American Legion Post 97 Building Fund or Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis.

John Evans

AUBURN — John W. Evans, 71, died Wednesday at 7:16 p.m. in El Dorado Hospital at Tucson, Ariz.

Mr. Evans retired in 1986 from Dana Corp. in Auburn with 25 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of Auburn's American Legion Post 97, the Waterloo post of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Garrett Eagles Lodge.

He was born April 25, 1926, in Hardin County, Ohio, to the late Howard and Erma (Richards) Evans.

Two wives, Martha Jordan Miller and Ruth Evans, preceded him in death. He then married Carol A. Kirkpatrick Warner on Jan. 14, 1989, at Barker's Chapel United Methodist Church, and she survives.

Also surviving are six sons, Larry D. and Arthur L., both of Garrett, Rodney L. of Hamilton, Jon S. of Warsaw, Reginald P. of Angola and Paul L. of Sacramento, Calif.; two daughters, Penny D. Wolf of Garrett and Patsy M. Torrez of Sacramento, Calif.; two stepsons, Jeffrey Warner of Kendallville and Steven Warner of Fishers; one stepdaughter, Wilma E. Gahimer of Pensacola, Fla.; one brother, Wilbur; three sisters, Jean, Doris and Joan; 35 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

One sister and one stepson preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jerel Book of Christian Union Brethren in Christ Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett, with a graveside military service by Auburn American Legion Post 97 and Waterloo VFW.

Lorraine Rinehold-Walker

WATERLOO — Lorraine Rinehold-Walker, 79, died Saturday at 6:10 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was a deputy recorder for DeKalb County for 7 1/2 years, then was elected as DeKalb County recorder in 1965 and served for 12 years.

She was born Aug. 8, 1918, in DeKalb County to the late Grover C. and Margarette (Hampshire) Likens.

She married Carl Rinehold on April 5, 1939, and he died July 18, 1986. She married Russell Walker on Oct. 25, 1989, and he died Nov. 3, 1997.

Surviving her are two sons, Dale Rinehold and Roger Rinehold, both of Waterloo; one daughter, Sharon Reinoehl of Ashley; three stepsons, Earl Walker and Marvin Walker, both of Waterloo, and Terry Walker of LaBelle, Fla.; two sisters, Betty Wilson of Huntertown and Jenyce Grate of Waterloo; seven grandchildren, Cheryl, Timothy, Todd and Roger Rinehold, Tamara Gilbert, Troy Reinoehl and Donald Mettert; 17 stepgrandchildren; four great-grandchildren, Brittany Mettert, Jamie Reinoehl, Logan Rinehold and Kody Gilbert; 29 stepgreat-grandchildren; and one stepgreat-great-grandchild.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2:30-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. John Kabes and the Rev. Ruben Bebler will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Hospice.

Evening Star, Mon., Aug. 23, 1998 (con't)

Joyce Guysinger

AVILLA — Joyce Lavon Guysinger, 87, of Avilla, died at 3:59 p.m. Sunday in Kendallville Manor HealthCare Center following an extended illness.

She was born in Payne, Ohio, Aug. 23, 1910, to Alonzo and Mame (Scheefel) Guysinger.

Miss Guysinger moved to Avilla in 1943. She had worked for Wayne Knitting Mills in Fort Wayne for 18 years, Studebaker Airport for three years, and Ronald Jones and Wilmer Weimer Insurance agencies. She retired after 17 years as office secretary for Garrett Medical Clinic. She was a member of the First Church of God in Kendallville where she played the piano and organ for more than 50 years.

Surviving are a special friend, Phyllis Haslup of Avilla; and nieces.

She was preceded in death by a brother and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Terry Facemire officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Humane Society of Noble County or First Church of God, both in Kendallville.

Theodore Brown

ANGOLA — Theodore Herman Brown, 77, of Angola, died Sunday at 7:20 a.m.

Mr. Brown had worked for the city of Odessa, Texas, street department. He was an assembler at Indiana Marine Products, Angola, and worked at Steuben Printing Co., Angola. He had lived in Angola for 12 years after moving from Texas.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving from Feb. 13, 1942, to Nov. 25, 1945.

He was born Aug. 8, 1921, in Philadelphia to the late James H. and Margaret Brown.

On May 3, 1948, he married Doris Betty (Hultz) Brown, who preceded him in death on Dec. 11, 1995.

Surviving are three sisters, Elisie Scott of Florida, and Dorthy Protele and Hellen Stern, both of Pennsylvania; a son, Randy Brown (and wife, Paula) of Angola; a grandson, Skyler Brown of Angola; a daughter, Sandy Boyle; a granddaughter, Dusty Boyle; two grandsons, John and Tom Boyle; a great-granddaughter, Ashley Boyle; a great-granddaughter, Amber Boyle; a sister-in-law, Dorthy Wiley; and nieces and nephews, Robert, Mike and Chris Whiley and Denise Kucsykowski.

He was preceded in death by eight brothers and sisters.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-7 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Burial will bein the Lakeview Memorial Park Cemetery, Cinnaminson, N.J.

Memorial donations may be made to the family, in care of Randy Brown, 608 N. Martha St., Angola.

Charles Boggs

BUTLER — Charles E. "Chuck" Boggs Jr., 69, died Friday at 6 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Boggs lived on North Street in Butler. He retired from Cooper Engineered Products at Auburn in 1991 with 18 years of service. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of Auburn Moose Lodge 566 and Butler American Legion Post 202.

He was born Sept. 13, 1928, in Sherman, Texas, to the late Charles E. and Bessie (Mitchell) Boggs.

Surviving are two sons, Charles A. and Christopher J., both of Waterloo; five daughters, Catherine Boggs of Indianapolis, Carole Lloyd, Cindy Jacobs and Julie Boggs, all of Waterloo, and Caye Lutz of Monticello; one brother, Donald R. of California; one sister, Nancy Boggs of Dallas, Texas; and seven grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. and Tuesday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Max Smith officiating.

Memorial contributions may be given to Cooper's CPR Program.

Evening Star, Mon., Feb. 23, 1998 (cont.)

Earl Cobb

MONTGOMERY, Mich. — Earl J. Cobb, 53, of Montgomery, died Sunday at his home.

Mr. Cobb, formerly of Fremont, was self-employed. He was born Nov. 10, 1944, to Winnie and Ruby Forrester Cobb in Angola. They preceded him in death.

He is survived by a daughter, Rosetta Cobb of Fremont; a son, Ronnie Cobb of Montgomery, Mich.; a brother, Dean Lewellyn of Angola; a sister, Betty Lewellyn of Auburn; four grandchildren and a companion, Joan Mast of Angola.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont. There will be no funeral service. Burial will be in Ray Cemetery. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home.

Grace Moser

ANGOLA — Grace E. Moser, 75, of Angola, died Friday at 9:23 a.m. at her home.

Mrs. Moser was a homemaker and a QMA at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola. She was a resident of Angola for 44 years and was raised in Hicksville, Ohio.

She was born Feb. 1, 1923, in Paulding County, Ohio, to the late Henry and Agnes (Trembly) Breidenbaugh.

Surviving are her husband, Dennis "Duke" Moser, at home; three sons, Philip of Hamilton, and Douglas and Richard, both of Angola; a brother, LaVon Breidenbaugh of Hicksville; three sisters, Ruth Dailey of Angola, Marie Blankenship of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Ann Bradford of Indianapolis; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Roger Moser, in 1969.

A funeral Mass was conducted today at St. Anthony Catholic Church, Angola, with Father Fred Pasche officiating. Burial was in St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery, Defiance County, Ohio. Arrangements were made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Ruth Ryan**, 75, died Thursday. Graveside services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. No calling.

KENDALLVILLE — **Francis Orvilla Rothgeb**, 81, died Sunday. No services or calling.

LAGRANGE — **Gerald A. Harp**, 91, died Saturday. Memorial services at a later date. No calling.

LAGRANGE — **Mary E. Wear**, 87, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Mount Zion Lutheran Church, LaGrange. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Deaths/Funerals

Guy Derrow

AUBURN — Guy Edward Derrow, 79, died today at 2:25 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Derrow was a former employee of the Auburn Dairy and Cooper Tire, and a lifetime Union Township farmer. He lived on County Road 35, Auburn.

He was born April 22, 1918, in DeKalb County to the late Charles and Cora (Bassett) Derrow.

He married Nellie Bennett on Feb. 9, 1946, in Auburn Church of God, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Cynthia Hulbert of Butler and Diana Heffley of Auburn; four brothers, Chester of Albion, Bob of Fort Wayne, Chuck of Corunna and Howard of Auburn; three sisters, Helen Sanders of Orland, Marie Pruess of Saginaw, Mich., and Gladys Whittig of Auburn; five grandchildren, Chris and Chad Heffley, Holly Allen, Tina Ann Compton and Toni Hulbert; and three great-granddaughters.

Five brothers, Walter, Earl, Arthur, Willdie and Glenn preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Stevan Haiflich, pastor of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or the Children First Center in Auburn.

George Francis

PIERCETON — George Thomas Francis, 56, died Sunday at 10:20 a.m. in his Pierceton home.

Mr. Francis owned the B&E Bargain Store in Garrett. He was a member of the God's Highway to Heaven Church in Warsaw.

He was born Sept. 3, 1941, in Prestonburg, Ky., to George Odel and Ellen (Mead) Francis. His father survives in Warsaw and his mother is deceased. A stepmother, Wilma Francis, also survives.

He married Eliner Mullins on Sept. 9 1959, and she survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Brenda Kay (Mrs. Richard) Heiman of Garrett; two sons, Ricky Junior Francis of Pierceton and David Lee Francis of Winona Lake; two brothers, Ulysses Francis of Warsaw and Orville Francis of Pikeville, Ky.; two sisters, Belvia Dixson and Hulda May, both of Paintsville, Ky.; a half-brother, Ernest Francis of Warsaw; and eight grandchildren.

One son and two brothers preceded him in death.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Free United Baptist Church, Packerton, with calling anytime on Tuesday. The Rev. James Rowe and the Rev. Bob Brown will officiate. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery, Pierceton.

DeLauder-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **Joseph William Baker**, 69, died Saturday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Lorraine Rinehold-Walker

WATERLOO — Lorraine Rinehold-Walker, 79, died Saturday at 6:10 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was a deputy recorder for DeKalb County for 7 1/2 years, then was elected as DeKalb County recorder in 1965 and served for 12 years.

She was born April 8, 1918, in DeKalb County to the late Grover C. and Margarette (Hampshire) Likens.

She married Carl Rinehold on April 5, 1939, and he died July 18, 1986. She married Russell Walker on Oct. 25, 1989, and he died Nov. 3, 1997.

Surviving her are two sons, Dale Rinehold and Roger Rinehold, both of Waterloo; one daughter, Sharon Reinoehl of Ashley; three stepsons, Earl Walker and Marvin Walker, both of Waterloo, and Terry Walker of LaBelle, Fla.; two sisters, Betty Wilson of Huntertown and Jenyce Grate of Waterloo; seven grandchildren, Cheryl, Timothy, and Roger Rinehold, Todd Reinoehl, Tamara Gilbert, Troy Reinoehl and Donald Mettert; 17 stepgrandchildren; four great-grandchildren, Brittany Mettert, Jamie Reinoehl, Logan Rinehold and Kody Gilbert; 29 step-great-grandchildren; and one step-great-great-grandchild.

Friends may call today from 2:30-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. John Kabes and the Rev. Ruben Bebler will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Hospice.

Deaths/Funerals

Dawn Barth

AUBURN — Dawn Rene Barth, 27, died Tuesday about 11:45 p.m. in an automobile accident on County Road 36-A, near County Road 21.

She worked for Dr. Paul Rexroth Family Practice and Associates. She attended Ivy Tech college in Fort Wayne, where she was taking her last class for a degree in medical assistance.

She was born Aug. 5, 1970, in Kendallville to Steven and Sue (Yontz) Barth. They survive in Auburn.

Also surviving are one daughter, Jonnie Sue Barth, at home; one sister and brother-in-law, Tammy and Bill Knapp of Auburn; her grandparents, Rod and Jean Barth of Lake Panasoffkee, Fla., Louise Carver of Kendallville, and Grover Yontz of Kendallville; a niece and nephew, Stevie Marie and Connor William Knapp; and her fiancé, Kirk Schaefer of Corunna.

Friends may call Friday from 2:30-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla.

Memorial contributions may be given to a trust fund for Jonnie Sue Barth, in care of Peoples Federal Savings Bank.

Thelma Schramm

AUBURN — Thelma I. Schramm, 87, died Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Schramm retired in 1975 from Rieke Corp. and lived in Auburn. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn, where she was active in Zingles and the Wesleyan Guild. She was also active in the Democratic Party and its women's club. She was a member of the Waterloo Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

She was born July 15, 1910, in DeKalb County to the late Jason and Irene (Dragoo) Cherry. Her husband, Charles Schramm, died in September 1979.

Surviving her are one son, Jim of Hicksville, Ohio; two daughters, Suzanne Brown of Auburn and Penny Tuttle of Ashley; one brother, Richard Cherry of Auburn; three sisters, Frances McKee of Butler, Hilda Frick of Auburn and Marjorie Fesler of Waterloo; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Wilbur Yates of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the scholarship fund of the First United Methodist Church.

Chloe Bedford

FREMONT — Chloe Mildred Bedford, 87, of Fremont, died Tuesday at 2:26 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

She was a homemaker. She was born May 24, 1910, in Anna, Ill., to the late George and Alice (Lentz) Treece.

Surviving are a daughter, Dolores Anderson of Fremont; two sons, Stanley Barker of Fort Wayne and Larry Barker of Walnut Creek, Calif.; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Fremont United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Scott Shoaff officiating. There will be no calling.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Council on Aging. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Zenobia Lewis

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — Zenobia Ellen Snyder Lewis, 92, died Friday at 2 p.m. in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

She was a homemaker and formerly lived in Auburn and Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Lewis was born Jan. 14, 1906, in Muncie to the late Lee and Rose (Manring) Snyder. Her husband, Joseph Lewis, died in 1993.

Surviving her are one daughter, Barbara Silk of Murfreesboro; one sister, Margaret Seril of Joliet, Ill.; 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, James Lewis; one daughter, Virginia Seabolt; three brothers and three sisters.

Services were conducted Sunday at Woodfin Memorial Chapel, Murfreesboro. Burial was in Murfreesboro.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

David Hubbard

AUBURN — David William Hubbard, 51, died Tuesday morning at DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

Mr. Hubbard formerly worked for Vulcraft and was a member of Coburn Corners Church of Christ.

He was born Sept. 26, 1946, in Sullivan to William Anthony and Flossie "Bizz" (Inlow) Hubbard. His mother survives in Auburn and his father preceded him in death on Sept. 5, 1976.

Also surviving are one sister, Rebecca Robinson of Anderson; and an aunt, Irene Inlow of Auburn.

A sister, Janet Sue Hubbard, preceded him in death in 1942.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-8 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with lay minister Robert Anderson officiating. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery, St. Joe.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Evening Star, Wed, Feb 25, 1998 (and id)

Theodore Brown

ANGOLA — Theodore Herman Brown, 76, of Angola, died at 7:20 a.m. Sunday.

Mr. Brown had worked for the city of Odessa, Texas, street department. He was an assembler at Indiana Marine Products, Angola, and worked at Steuben Printing Co., Angola. He had lived in Angola for 12 years after moving from Texas.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving from Feb. 13, 1942, to Nov. 25, 1945.

He was born Aug. 27, 1921, in Philadelphia to the late James H. and Margaret Brown.

On May 3, 1948, he married Dorris Betty (Hultz) Brown, who preceded him in death on Dec. 11, 1995.

Surviving are three sisters, Elisie Scott of Florida, and Dorthy Portele and Hellen Stern, both of Pennsylvania; a son, Randy Brown (and wife, Paula) of Angola; a grandson, Skyler Brown of Angola; a daughter, Sandy Boyle; a granddaughter, Dusty Boyle; two grandsons, John and Tom Boyle; a great-granddaughter, Ashley Boyle; a great-granddaughter, Amber Boyle; a sister-in-law, Dorthy Wiley; and nieces and nephews, Robert, Mike and Chris Whiley and Denise Kucsykowski.

He was preceded in death by eight brothers and sisters.

Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Thursday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Burial will be in Lakeview Memorial Park Cemetery, Cinnaminson, N.J.

Memorial donations may be made to the family, in care of Randy Brown, 608 N. Martha St., Angola.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Beulah L. Harter**, 85, died Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Friday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

LAGRANGE — **Clara M. Wengerd**, 76, died Tuesday. Services at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in the Joseph M. Wengerd residence, 2260S — 300E, LaGrange. Calling after 2 p.m. Thursday and all day Friday in the family home.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Lucille I. Doty**, 85, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Charlotte J. Slabaugh**, 74, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Feb. 26, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Dorothy Schunk

EVANSVILLE — Dorothy Schunk, 98, died Tuesday in Holiday Care Center, Evansville.

Mrs. Schunk was born and raised in Garrett. She was a member of the Garrett Eastern Star, and a volunteer for the Society for the Prevention of Blindness for many years.

She was born Feb. 9, 1900, in Garrett to the late Henry and Dorthea (Stopsack) Brinkman.

Her husband, Paul Schunk, preceded her in death on April 13, 1976.

She is survived by three nieces, Juanita Rhodes of Garrett, Ruth Culler of Auburn, and Betty Smith of Holland, Mich.; and one nephew, John Moening of Irvine, Calif.

There will be no calling. Graveside services will take place Saturday at 1 p.m. in Memorial Park Cemetery, Evansville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Society for the Prevention of Blindness.

Frederick Strater

KENDALLVILLE — Frederick C. Strater, 81, of Kendallville, died at 7:35 p.m. Tuesday in Kendallville Manor Healthcare Center in Kendallville. He had been ill two years.

He was born in Kendallville July 13, 1916, to Robert and Elsie (Newman) Strater. On April 19, 1942, in Brimfield, he married Audrey L. Wilks. She preceded him in death in September 1988.

Mr. Strater, a lifetime area resident, was a self-employed contractor and landlord. He was a past member of the Elks Lodge and Eagles Lodge in Kendallville.

Surviving are a daughter, Norma Haley of Kendallville; a sister, Mrs. Duane (Ruth) McCellan of Hudson; a brother, Robert Strater of Kendallville; and a grandson, Tanner Haley of Kendallville.

A brother, Hallie Strater, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Thomas Clothier of First Christian Church officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-9 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Russel L. Sheets**, 96, died Tuesday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today.

KENDALLVILLE — **Blanche W. Campbell**, 92, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Hite Funeral Home, with calling there 5-7 p.m. Monday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Adam J. Lesley**, 14, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday at Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., Feb. 27, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Mildred Keller

BUTLER — Mildred K. Keller, 92, died Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in Auburn Health Care Center, Auburn.

Mrs. Keller was a homemaker and formerly lived on West Green Street in Butler.

She was born June 15, 1905, in Grant Township, DeKalb County, to the late Ezra and Amelia (Walker) Rohm.

She married Floyd Keller on June 28, 1921, in Hillsdale, Mich., and he died March 19, 1982.

Surviving her are four sons, Floyd Jr. of Sebring, Fla., Harold E. of Waterloo, Eldon LeRoy of Butler and Leonard W. of Fort Wayne; three daughters, Violet Provines of Butler, Carol Cumings of Auburn and Sharon Sue Surface of Butler; 15 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four sisters, two brothers, one daughter-in-law, one grandson and one great-grandson.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Neil Butcher officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Children First Center, Auburn.

Jean Sliger

CORUNNA — Jean E. Sliger, 64, died Thursday at 8:35 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Sliger was a homemaker and lived on County Road 34, Corunna. She was a member of the Corunna Fire Department Auxiliary, DeKalb County Extension Homemakers Chorus and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

She was born May 19, 1933, in Auburn to the late Bruce and Elizabeth (Zook) Mavis.

She married Robert J. Sliger on Oct. 8, 1955, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Robert G. and Keith W., both of Corunna; one daughter, Cynthia S. Prater of Ashley; one sister, Barbara Joan Mc Entarfer of California; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 5-7 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. A rosary service will be conducted Sunday at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will take place Monday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Father Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School.

Margaret West

GARRETT — Margaret Mae West, 69, died Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She was a homemaker and lived in Garrett.

Mrs. West was born Feb. 23, 1929, in Garrett to the late Walter and Mae (Swazy) Custer.

She married Robert West on Dec. 17, 1949, in Garrett and he survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Kathy West of New Haven; one daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Joseph McPherson of Pleasant Lake; two sisters, Arminda Payton of Garrett and Vivian Gillispie of Avilla; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda Mosley; one son, Joseph West; one sister, Louella Weichart; and two brothers, Junior and Gregory Custer.

Friends may call Saturday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

A private family graveside service will take place Sunday in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett. The Rev. Donovan Coley Sr. will officiate.

Evening Star, Fri, Feb 27, 1998 (cont'd)

Paul Myers

NEWVILLE — Paul LeRoy Myers, 51, died Sunday at 6 p.m. in his Newville home.

Mr. Myers formerly worked at Universal Tool & Stamping Co., Butler and was a Vietnam veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was born May 16, 1946, in Garrett. His mother, Salome (Pepper) Myers Lockhart, survives in Newville, and his father, Otis Myers, also survives.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by one son, Billy of Butler; two daughters, Lisa Musser of Hamilton and Diana Myers of Butler; two sisters, Alice Richmond and Ellen; two half-brothers, James Lockhart and Herbie Lockhart, both of Butler; five grandchildren, and his former wife, Dorothy Myers.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, with calling after 10 a.m.

LaMar Powers

ANGOLA — LaMar Don Powers, 77, of Angola, died Thursday at his home.

Mr. Powers was a farmer and a lifelong resident of Angola. He worked at Hamma's Feed and Grain for 20 years before retiring in 1982. He was a member of the Angola Christian Church and the Angola Moose Lodge.

He was born May 24, 1920, in Angola to the late John W. and Luella Dick Powers.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Fulton Powers, whom he married on Feb. 10, 1942. Also surviving are three sons, Dewey Powers and Dick Powers, both of Angola, and Don Powers of Adrian, Mich.; and five grandchildren.

Also preceding him in death was a brother, Carmon Duane Powers.

Services are pending at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Memorial donations may be made to the Powers Church and the Angola Christian Church.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Charlotte R. Williamson**, 74, died Thursday. Services at 1 p.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 6-9 p.m. today and 11 a.m. until services on Saturday.

LAGRANGE — **Karen S. Long**, 46, died Thursday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in First United Methodist Church, LaGrange. Calling 2-6 p.m. Sunday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Deaths/Funerals

Bonnie Hollman

ST. JOE — Bonnie Mae Hollman, 83, died Sunday at 5 p.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home at Butler.

She was born Nov. 1, 1914, in Lee County, S.C., to the late Ethan and Fannie (Howell) Baker.

She married Bert D. Hollman Sr. He died July 26, 1952.

Surviving her are one son, Bert D. Hollman Jr. of St. Joe; three daughters, Bertie H. Miles of Columbia, S.C., Patricia H. Gainey of Florence, S.C., and Lois Lynette H. McKervey of Sumter, S.C.; three sisters; 14 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday at Elmore-Hill-McCreight Funeral Home, Sumter, S.C.

Services will take place Wednesday, with burial in Peniel Baptist Church Cemetery in Timmonsville, S.C.

Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of local arrangements.

LaMar Powers

ANGOLA — Memorial services for LaMar Don Powers will take place Sunday at 2 p.m. in Powers Church, Angola, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, where a Moose service will take place at 7 p.m.

Mr. Powers, 77, of Angola, died Thursday at 8:05 a.m. at his home.

He was a farmer and worked at Hamma's Feed and Grain for 20 years before retiring in 1982.

He was a lifetime Angola resident, and member of the Angola Christian Church and the Angola Moose Lodge.

He was born May 24, 1920, in Angola to the late John W. and Luella (Dick) Powers.

On Feb. 10, 1942, he married Helen (Fulton) Powers, who survives at home.

Also surviving are three sons, Dewey, Dick and Don Powers, all of Angola; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Carmon Powers.

Phyllis McLaughlin

CHURUBUSCO — Phyllis I. McLaughlin, 48, of Churubusco, died at 12:09 p.m. Saturday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient for one day. She had been in failing health for the past two years.

She was born May 13, 1949, to Bert J. and Hanna M. (Asher) Patton. On July 21, 1973, in Fort Wayne, she married John C. McLaughlin. He survives.

Mrs. McLaughlin, a lifetime resident of the Churubusco area, was a 1967 graduate of Churubusco High School. She was employed by Dana Corp. in Churubusco, and had worked as a payroll accountant for the past 30 years. She was a member of the Churubusco Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving with her husband are her father and stepmother, Bert and Mary Jane Patton of Columbia City; two sons, Bert McLaughlin and Joe McLaughlin, both of Churubusco; a daughter, Johanna McLaughlin of Churubusco; six sisters, Jo Ann Patton, Mrs. Dennis (Helen) Miller, Mrs. Larry (Shirley) Farrell and Sue Iannucilli, all of Churubusco, Mrs. Steve (Millie) Creech of Auburn and Patty Neal of Big Lake; and four brothers, Michael Patton, Larry Patton and Pat Patton, all of Churubusco, and Bob Patton of Tucson, Ariz.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Churubusco Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Paul D. White officiating. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, south of Churubusco.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. today and 2-8 p.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services on Wednesday.

Memorials may be made to the Churubusco Church of the Nazarene.

Area Deaths

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Randi Sue Marks**, 14 months, died Saturday. Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Vasta M. Clark**, 87, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there from 3-7 p.m. Tuesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Helen Franklin

WATERLOO — Helen M. Franklin, 81, died today at 5:40 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Franklin worked at General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne for 32 years, retiring in 1969. She lived on County Road 39, Waterloo, and was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo.

She was born Feb. 5, 1917, in DeKalb County to the late Fredrick and Anna (Schoudel) Gfeller.

She married James Franklin on Feb. 8, 1940, in St. Michael's Catholic Church, and he died Dec. 31, 1979.

Surviving her are one sister, Christina Schlosser of Waterloo; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one son, David James Franklin; four brothers and three sisters.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A rosary service will be conducted Thursday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will take place Friday at 11 a.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, with Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Elmer Franzman

CANNELTON — Elmer J. Franzman, 77, died Friday at 9:45 a.m. in Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

Mr. Franzman was a retired teacher and the owner of Putt-Putt miniature golf at Lake James. He formerly lived in Cannelton, Lake James at Angola, and Venice, Fla.

He was a World War II veteran of the Army Air Corps, and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and Fraternal Order of Elks.

He retired in 1980 from Snider High School in Fort Wayne, and also taught at North Side High School. He graduated in 1937 from Cannelton High School and received his bachelor's degree from Ball State University, Muncie. He earned a master's degree from Indiana University, Bloomington. He was a past commissioner for the Fort Wayne Humane Society.

He was born April 22, 1920, in Hayes, Pa. His wife, Beverly J. (McCoy) Franzman, preceded him in death on Jan. 18, 1998.

Surviving are two sons, Terry of Auburn and Steven of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Sandra Franzman Haywood of Evansville; two sisters, Marian Brüggenschmidt of Tell City and Betty Jo Mattingly of Evansville; one brother, Harold of Tell City; and four grandchildren, Dr. Kimberly Haywood, Courtney Haywood, Gregory Haywood and Katharine Franzman.

Services were conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in Huber Funeral Home, Cannelton Chapel, with Father David Rabenacker officiating.

A joint memorial service for Mr. and Mrs. Franzman will take place June 14 in Angola.

Memorial contributions may be given to the St. Michael Catholic Church chime fund.

Bidwell Barnes

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Bidwell A. "Bill" Barnes, 67, died Sunday at 10:45 p.m. in Fountain Manor Care Center, Hicksville.

Mr. Barnes retired in 1980 from General Motors in Defiance, Ohio, with 13 years of service. He lived on West Hicks Street in Hicksville. He was a member of Fraternal Order of Eagles, Defiance Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Moose Lodge in Defiance.

He was born May 6, 1930, in Ripley, Miss., to the late Homer and Minnie (Robins) Barnes. He attended school in Mississippi.

He married Leola "Thelma" Lee on Jan. 27, 1953, in Mississippi, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Deffie Flanary of Coeburn, Va.; three sons, David of Hicksville, Billy of Auburn and Bobby of Columbus, Ohio; two brothers, Thomas and Franklin "Dean", both of Ripley, Miss.; three sisters, Icie Childres of Mobile, Ala., May Robins of Memphis, Tenn., and Dovie Allen of New Albany, Miss.; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Effie Robinson and Colleen Langston, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today after 3 p.m. and Wednesday after 9 a.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. An Eagles Lodge service will take place today at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Pastor David Long of the Assembly of God Church and Vincent Kotcherfield will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Evening Star, Tues., March 3, 1998 (cont.)

Mary Fugate

GARRETT — Mary E. Fugate, 67, died today at 5:22 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mrs. Fugate was a homemaker and lived in Garrett.

She was born Jan. 19, 1931, in Floyd County, Ky., to the late Gene and Emma (Stephens) Coyer.

She married Larince Fugate on Oct. 24, 1949, in Auburn and he died Aug. 30, 1979.

Surviving are four sons, Sonny, Larince Jr. and Ellis, all of Garrett, and Bud of Kendallville; five daughters, Lena Mitchell and Rosie Hunt, both of Kendallville, Billie Jo Fugate and Emma Fugate, both of Garrett, and Sue Bailey of Harriman, Tenn.; two brothers, John Coyer and James Coyer, both of Fort Wayne; five sisters, Billie Jo Tuttle and Sharon Coyer, both of Garrett, Pat Vangessel of LaOtto, Bertha Morgan of Fort Wayne and Sue Rowe of Butler; 22 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Daniel; one brother, Max Coyer; one sister, Emma Jean Coyer, a grandson and a granddaughter.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with J.C. Banks officiating. Inurnment will take place Monday at 10 a.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Budd Grear

FORT WAYNE — Budd Grear, 72, died Monday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He retired in 1985 from International Harvester with 25 years of service. He worked at Auto Auction for five years. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and lived in Fort Wayne. He was a native of Montpelier, Ohio.

Surviving him are three daughters, Linda Woodcox of Fort Wayne, and Patty Ford and Becky Stair, both of Ashley; three sons, Roger and Randy, both of Waterloo, and Saum Grear of Fort Wayne; four sisters, Evelyn Mettert and Midge Mettert, both of Auburn, Alice Grear of Ashley and Mary Zuber of Waterloo; and 13 grandchildren.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in C.M. Sloan and Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with burial in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Maranatha Church of God children's church.

Charles Barrett

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Charles E. Barrett, 74, of Hicksville died at Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville at 11:34 a.m. Saturday.

He had lived in Hamilton many years.

Mr. Barrett was born March 10, 1923, in Chicago, Ill., to Fredrick and Mary (Bowman) Barrett. He married Patricia Harrison and she preceded him in death in 1977.

Mr. Barrett, a World War II U.S. Army veteran, was retired from Tokheim Corp. He was a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne and the American Legion Post in Hicksville.

Surviving are a daughter, Cindy Hoagland of Hicksville; two sons, Dennis F. Barrett of Jacksonville, Fla., and Donald L. Barrett of Sarasota, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., with the Rev. John Fair officiating. Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Diabetes Association.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Mary Joanne Collins**, 66, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Wednesday.

SYRACUSE — Memorial services will be held at a later date for brothers **Austin David Reed**, 3, and **Justin Allen Reed**, 18 months, who died in a fire in their home on Sunday. There is no visitation.

WARSAW — **Kaylee Sue Handrich,** 2, died Sunday. Services at 3 p.m. Thursday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there two hours before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Edith Klinger

ST. JOE — Edith Marie Klinger, 82, died Tuesday at 5 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She was a member of the Jesus Name Church in Fort Wayne.

She was born Aug. 8, 1915, to the late Otterbein and Ida Wahls.

She married Jesse J. Klinger on June 11, 1950, in Fort Wayne. He survives in St. Joe.

Also surviving her are three sons, Richard and Howard, both of Fort Wayne, and Daniel of Bluffton; one daughter, Heather Klinger of Grabill; and one brother, Ed Wahls.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in Jesus Name Church, 3615 New Haven Ave., Fort Wayne, with calling after 1 p.m. Pastor Mike Morimanno will officiate. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery, St. Joe.

Jack Riccius

GARRETT — Jack Edward Riccius, 87, died Tuesday at 12:50 p.m. (local time) in Muskogee Regional Medical Center at Muskogee, Okla.

Mr. Riccius was a mechanic in Los Angeles for 20 years and was a tool and machine grinder at Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne, retiring in 1973. He was a member of the Auburn Moose Lodge and the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren in Garrett.

He was born Sept. 10, 1910, in Garrett to the late Edward and Erma (McCloud) Riccius.

He married Beverly J. Zinn on June 6, 1953, in Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Daniel of North Manchester, James of Garrett, John of Auburn, and Norman of Henryetta, Okla.; three daughters, Valeska Walker and Mary Sigler, both of Garrett, and Wanda Riccius of Henryetta; one sister, Florence Sparks of Henryetta; nine grandchildren, four stepgrandchildren and five stepgreatgrandchildren.

One son, Edward, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 6-8 p.m. and Friday from noon until 3 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Friday in the funeral home, with the Rev. John McFarland officiating. Burial will take place in Embrey Cemetery, Garrett.

Mary Jo Lawson

LIGONIER — Mary Jo Lawson, 82, of Ligonier, died Tuesday at 12:45 p.m. in her residence.

She was born in Louisville, Ky., Feb. 1, 1916, to Fred and Mary Josephine (Kehler) Woehr.

Mrs. Lawson was a 1934 graduate of Fort Wayne Central High School and had resided in Ligonier since 1970, coming from Columbia City. She was employed as a clerk for 25 years at Atz Furniture Co. in Ligonier. She was a member of Columbia City American Legion Post 98 Auxiliary and Ligonier Eagles Lodge 1763 Auxiliary.

Surviving are her longtime companion, Jack Snyder of Ligonier; two sons, Kerry Lawson of Elkhart, and Alan Lawson of Fremont; a daughter, Mrs. Kenneth (Judy) Novak of Dry Ridge, Ky.; 13 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters.

There will be no services or visitation.

Burial will be in Nolt Cemetery, Columbia City.

Preferred memorials are to Ligonier Eagles Lodge 1763 Auxiliary.

Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, is in charge of arrangements.

Edward Franzman

CANNELTON — Elmer J. Franzman, 77, died Friday at 9:45 a.m. in Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. He was a former Angola resident.

His wife, Beverly J. (McCoy) Franzman, preceded him in death on Jan. 18, 1998.

A joint memorial service for the couple will take place June 14 at the Angola Elks Lodge.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Garry D. Herendeen**, 82, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Green Center United Methodist Church, Green Center. Calling 3-8 p.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, and one hour before services at the church on Saturday.

SYRACUSE — **Herschel L. Bitner**, 81, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

Deaths/Funerals

Blancha Neely

FREMONT — Blancha Neely, 84, of Fremont, died Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

A homemaker, Mrs. Neely was a member of the West Fremont Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.

She was born June 3, 1913, in Magoffin County, Ky., to the late John Morgan and Dora Mae (Wireman) Howard.

Surviving are two daughters, Dora Mae Blue of Elkhart and Carol Foster of Fremont; a son, Gene Neely of Lima, Ohio; a sister, Oma Keller of Hernando, Fla.; 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Joseph, died in 1977. She also was preceded in death by a daughter, Beaulah.

Services will begin at 4 p.m. Saturday at the West Fremont Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses with Max Houser officiating. Burial will be at a later date. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Bertha Hoock

FORT WAYNE — Bertha M. Hoock, 94, died Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. in Englewood nursing home at Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hoock was a homemaker and lived most of her life in Fort Wayne.

She was born Aug. 13, 1903, in Auburn to the late Charles L. and Catherine (Kees) Murphy. Her first husband, Charles Quance, died in 1947, and her second husband, Carl Hoock, died in 1997.

Surviving her are one daughter, Margaret Beam of Fort Wayne; one sister, Vivian Cobbler of St. Joe; eight grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

One son, Richard Quance, preceded her in death in 1997.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at D.O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home, 6301 Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Ronald Walters officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Mary Vollmer

FORT WAYNE — Mary C. Vollmer, 79, died Tuesday at 8:55 p.m. in her Fort Wayne home.

She was a lifetime resident of Fort Wayne. She retired in 1982 from the bindery department at Craftline Printing Co. She was a past president of American Legion Post 82 Auxiliary and Jim Eby Post 857 Auxiliary, where she was cancer chairman for the last 13 years. She was also a member of the Forty and Eight Society Auxiliary.

She was born Nov. 20, 1918, in Fort Wayne to the late Franklin A. and Laura (Pattee) Sprunger.

Surviving her are one daughter, Cynthia J. Murray of Fort Wayne; two sons, Robert E. of Fort Wayne and Donald R. of Angola; three brothers, Walter Sprunger of Fort Wayne, Howard Sprunger of Constantine, Mich., and Edwin Sprunger of Port Chester, N.Y.; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will take place Friday at 11 a.m. in Trinity English Lutheran Church, 405 W. Wayne St., Fort Wayne, with calling after 10 a.m. Pastor Dan Hamlin will officiate, with burial in St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or to Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Ruth O. Smith**, 92, died Wednesday. Services at 11:30 a.m. Friday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling one hour before services on Friday.

LAGRANGE — **Ira A. Yoder**, 84, died Wednesday. Services at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in the Samuel N. Miller residence, with calling there after 2 p.m. today and all day Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Doris Stonestreet

AUBURN — Doris Catherine Stonestreet, 80, died today at 2 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Stonestreet was vice president and bookkeeper of S&S Oil and Tire Co., which she had owned and operated with her husband since 1947. She was a member of Auburn First United Methodist Church and a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star.

She was born Feb. 4, 1918, in Whitley County to the late Fred and Margaret (Adair) Bennett.

She married Robert Stonestreet on June 24, 1939, in Rome City, and he died Sept. 25, 1994.

Surviving her are two sons, Glenn and Yancy, both of Auburn; three brothers, Kenneth Bennett of Mission, Texas, Harold Bennett of Palmetto, Fla., and Thomas Bennett of Spring City, Tenn.; two sisters, Genevieve Harris of Anderson and Lucillie Noble of Larwill; one grandson, Matthew Stonestreet; two stepgrandchildren, Karmen Mercer and Ronald Schuller; and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-6 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will take place Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Karen Koelsch, associate pastor of Auburn First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Forrest Buell

HAMILTON — Forrest F. Buell, 76, died Thursday at 8:35 a.m. shortly after he was admitted to Cameron Hospital in Angola.

He was a lifelong area farmer and resident.

Mr. Buell was born Feb. 14, 1922, in Steuben County to the late Elson E. and Clara (Durr) Buell.

He married Bettie Myers on July 30, 1943, in Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Christine Weinhold of Auburn and Catherine Gibson of Roanoke Rapids, N.C.; one son, Elson of Edon, Ohio; one brother, Lee of Angola; one sister, Thelma Varner of Edon; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Krill Funeral Home, Edon.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Bill Priest officiating. Burial will take place in Edon Cemetery, Edon, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Mary Milleman

ANGOLA — Mary Ann Milleman, 67, of Angola, died Thursday at 2:10 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A lifelong Angola resident, Mrs. Milleman retired in 1986 as an manufacturing assembler at Dana Weatherhead in Angola. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Angola Moose Lodge.

She was born Sept. 7, 1930, in Angola to the late Chester and Maude (Rinehart) Welch.

In 1968, she married Roger Milleman, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Danny Eader of Angola; a daughter, Linda Wiseman of Fort Wayne; a stepson, Jimmie Milleman of Orland; two stepdaughters, Laurie Miller of LaGrange and Belinda Hardiek of Angola; 19 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four sisters, Lillie Mae Coffman, Georgia Whaley Aldrich, Betty Lou Davis and Sarah Hill; and a stepdaughter, Dyanne Hamilton.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A Moose service will begin at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Services will take place at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be Jackson Township Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Delvia V. DeWitt**, 85, died Thursday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. on Sunday.

Deaths/Funerals

Warren Hoover

ANGOLA — Warren R. "Skeets" Hoover, 75, of Fremont, died Friday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center.

Mr. Hoover retired from a career as a high school teacher and football coach in Fort Wayne and LaGrange. He was a World War II veteran, and he served in the Marines Air Corps. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with two stars. He was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Fremont.

He was born April 16, 1922, in Pierceton to the late Frank and Helen Switzer Hoover.

He is survived by his wife, Eunice Hoover, whom he married on Dec. 19, 1948. Also surviving are a son, John Hoover of Vermilion, Ohio; a daughter, Jan Armstrong of Evanston, Ill.; and six grandchildren.

Also preceding him in death was a brother, Charles Hoover.

Visitation will take place today at Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in Peace Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Wayne C. Berkesch officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery.

Mildred Snyder

ANGOLA — Mildred E. Snyder, 86, of Angola, died Thursday at 3 p.m. at Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

A homemaker, she was born Sept. 12, 1911, in Steuben County to the late Elroy and Elizabeth (Berry) Brown.

Surviving are a son, Leon (and wife, Dora) Snyder of Angola; a daughter, Sally (and husband, Robert) Wolfe of Montgomery, Mich.; a sister, Elizabeth Snyder of Angola; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Tom Snyder, in 1992.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. Robert Staup officiating. Burial will be in Metz Cemetery.

James Palmer

FORT WAYNE — James F. Palmer, 77, died Friday at 2:24 a.m. at his Fort Wayne home.

He retired in 1983 as plant superintendent at Parrott Packing Co., after 33 years with the company. He also worked as a carry-out for Rogers Super Market.

Mr. Palmer was a World War II Navy veteran. He was a member of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society and American Legion Post 296.

He was born in Fort Wayne on May 22, 1920, to Edward W. and Cecelia (Krouse) Palmer.

He married his wife, Phyllis M., on June 28, 1941, in Fort Wayne. She survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Gerald V. of Ely, Minn., Jack E. of Columbus, Ga., and James R. and Jeffrey P., both of Fort Wayne; three daughters, Joyce A. Bir of Auburn, Jill S. Gokenbach of Kendallville, and JoEllen M. Thomas of Fort Wayne; a brother, William of Fort Wayne; a sister, Wilma J. Millhouse of Fort Wayne; 20 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and four stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Herman and Delbert.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, 8669 Auburn Road, Fort Wayne, with Father John Kuzmich officiating.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m., at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, and one hour prior to services Monday at the church. A vigil service will take place at 8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be made to Masses at the church, the American Heart Association and the Northeast Indiana Kidney Foundation.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Helen I. Robinson**, 90, of Albion, died Friday. Funeral services Tuesday at the Old Cathedral Catholic Church in Vincennes. Calling from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Monday at the Duesterberg-Fredrick Funeral Home in Vincennes.

GREENFIELD — **Norma Karyl (Jones) Engleking**, 64, mother of LaGrange County Extension Educator Steven G. "Steve" Engleking of LaGrange, died Friday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Erlewein Mortuary, 1484 W. U.S. 40, Greenfield. Calling 2-8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Mon., March 9, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

LaVonne Market

HAMILTON — LaVonne E. Market, 85, died Sunday at 11:15 a.m. in her Hamilton home.

Mrs. Market worked at the Auburn Automobile Co. for three years and Warner Gear in Auburn for 17 years. She worked at Essex Wire for eight years, retiring in 1983. She was a 50-year member of the Ladies of the Moose Lodge in Auburn.

She was born March 7, 1917, in Richland Township to the late Emmery and Iva (DeWitt) Treesh.

She married Charles O. "Bus" Market on Dec. 21, 1929, in Auburn, and he survives.

Also surviving her are two brothers, Loyton Treesh and Dale Treesh, both of Auburn.

Two sisters, Eula Carroll and Bernida Carter, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

Richard Abbott

URBANA, Ohio — Richard H. Abbott, 54, died unexpectedly Sunday at 6:10 a.m. in his Urbana home.

Mr. Abbott retired in 1996 from Navistar of Springfield, Ohio, after 34 years of employment as a computer engineer. He had been employed since June 1996 by Valco Engineering, Springfield. He was a 1960 graduate of Garrett High School and had attended ITT Technical College. He was an avid long-distance runner and a member of the Road Runners Club in Springfield. He founded the Garrett Wrestling Club.

He was born March 27, 1943, in Fort Wayne to Roy and Gertrude (Drudge) Abbott. His mother survives in Auburn and his father is deceased.

He married Marlene "Terry" Howe on May 29, 1971, and she survives.

Also surviving are four sons and two daughters-in-law, Richard J. Abbott of Fort Wayne, Jeffrey Richard Abbott of Salt Lake City, Utah; Larry Ray and Angie Putt of Niles, Mich., and Robert G. and Cathy Putt of Garrett; two daughters, Kathryn L. Putt of Fort Wayne and Sunday J. Abbott of Tallahassee, Fla.; and three grandsons, Zaquery R. Abbott of Fort Wayne and Joshua and Ethan Putt of Garrett.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Richeson-Wickham and Atkins Funeral Home, Saint Paris, Ohio.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor David Dernlan of Grace Chapel Church, West Liberty, Ohio, officiating.

Graveside services will take place Thursday at 1 p.m. in Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Graham Wrestling Program, 7800 W. U.S. 36, Saint Paris, OH 43072; or West Liberty Wrestling Program, 7208 N. U.S. 68, West Liberty, OH 43357.

Tommy Sawyer

SYRACUSE — Tommy Landis Sawyer, 34, of Syracuse, died Saturday in Syracuse.

Mr. Sawyer was a construction worker. He was born March 8, 1963, to Tommy and Hester Owens Sawyer in Knott County, Ky.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Hester and George West of Orland; two daughters, Christa and Marie; a son, Tommy; two sisters, Teresa and Tonyia Sawyer, both of Angola; a brother, Lloyd Sawyer of Ligonier; his grandparents, Anna Lou Combs of Ligonier and Floyd and Nellie West of Woodbine, Ky.; and two stepbrothers, Randy West of Angola and Scott West of South Milford.

He was preceded in death by his father, Tommy Sawyer.

There will be no calling or funeral service. A memorial service will be conducted at 4 p.m. Saturday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with Elder Richard Sturtz officiating.

Surviving are one son, Michael D. of Iron River, Wis.; three daughters, Melanie R. Malone and Lori R. LaTurner, both of Garrett, and Lana S. Brooks of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Donald. T. of Angola and David E. of Paw Paw, Mich.; two sisters, Patricia A. Green of Fort Wayne and M. Diane McGee of Coldwater; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Services will take place Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Prairie Grove Cemetery, with graveside military services by American Legion Post 47.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Evening Star, Mon., March 9, 1998

Owen Smith Jr.

TOPEKA — Owen W. Smith Jr., 49, of Topeka, died at 4:15 p.m. Saturday in his residence after an extended illness.

He was born July 3, 1948, in Ligonier to Owen and Fay (Musser) Smith Sr. On Dec. 13, 1985, in LaGrange, he married Marie Blech. She survives in Topeka.

Mr. Smith, a lifetime Noble and LaGrange county resident, was a truck driver, most recently with Ascot Industries in Topeka. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Owen Smith III of Ohio, and Greg Smith of Ligonier; three daughters, Tina Slone of Kendallville, Teresa Butterfield of North Webster, and Dawn Marie Smith of Topeka; two brothers, Ed Smith of Waterloo, and Harold Robert Smith of Wilmot; a sister, Tammy Hartman of Ligonier; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at noon Tuesday in Eden Community Worship Center, North Ind. 5, Topeka, with the Rev. Harold Gingerich officiating. Burial will be in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier, with military graveside services.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. until services Tuesday at the church.

Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, is in charge of arrangements.

Jack Miller

WARSAW — Jack L. Miller, 53, was found dead Friday at 4 p.m. in his Warsaw home. Although he had been in declining health, his death was unexpected.

Mr. Miller had been employed as a truck driver for 29 years, and was last employed by Gast Fuel and Service in Warsaw, retiring in 1994. He was a member of the men's golf league at Eel River Golf Course near Churubusco. He moved to Kosciusko County from Auburn 13 years ago.

He was born Nov. 23, 1944, in Sturgis, Mich., to Leona (Rhinesmith) and Rollin Miller Sr. They survive in Coldwater, Mich.

He married Joyce A. Kimmel on April 3, 1965, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Craig and Dawn Miller of Warsaw; three daughters, Patricia (Mrs. Joe) Ousley and Monica Miller, both of Warsaw, and Peggy (Mrs. Jacob) Keller of Leesburg; four brothers, Rollin Jr. and Terry, both of Coldwater, and Michael and Steven, both of Churubusco; and three sisters, Judy Hawver of Butler, Sandi Boren of Orland, and Ronda Creech of Churubusco; and seven grandchildren.

One brother, Bruce C., preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Richard Campbell, pastor of New Vision Church of Warsaw, will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Lura B. Tucker**, 94, died Saturday. Services were today in Albion.

CHURUBUSCO — **Estella M. Gilliom**, 96, died Sunday. Funeral arrangements are pending at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco.

FORT WAYNE — **A.R.V. Byrd**, 61, died Saturday. Services Thursday in Oneida, Tenn.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Raymond L. "Bud" Rheinheimer**, 79, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Shore Mennonite Church, Shipshewana, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

TOPEKA — **Owen W. Smith Jr.**, 34, died Saturday. Memorial services at 4 p.m. Saturday in Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. No calling.

The Evening Star, Tues., March 10, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Margaret Chapin

CORUNNA — Margaret Rosalie Payton Chapin, 77, died Sunday morning at her daughter's home in Willcox, Ariz.

Mrs. Chapin lived in Corunna and had worked at No-Sag in Kendallville, Bauman-Harnish in Garrett and Acorn Products in Quincy, Mich.

She was born Aug. 23, 1920, in Mitchell, Ind., to the late George and Candis (Pridemore) Cooper.

She married Paul F. Payton on Dec. 3, 1938, in Auburn, and he died July 17, 1979. She then married Ward Chapin on Nov. 24, 1980, in Hudson, and he died in July 1983.

Surviving her are three daughters, Sharon (Mrs. John) Neible of Grand Rapids, Mich., Judy (Mrs. Jack) Drerup of Union City, Mich., and Sandra (Mrs. Dan) Ousley of Willcox, Ariz.; two sisters, Irene Owens of Bedford and Lois McNees of Muncie; nine grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, nine sisters and one grandson.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Todd Barsness officiating. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Charles Leighton Jr. Hospice, in care of Arizona Bank, 173 South Haskell, Willcox, AZ 85643.

Donald Witsman

ANGOLA — Donald R. Witsman, 60, of Angola, died Sunday at his home.

Mr. Witsman was a a U.S. Army veteran. He retired in 1997 as a truck driver for ABF Trucking. He attended St. Anthony Catholic Church in Angola. He lived in Steuben County for four years after moving from Toledo, Ohio.

He was born June 26, 1937, in Vincennes to the late Roy and Opah (Lane) Witsman.

On June 21, 1968, he married Nancy Witsman, who survives at home.

Also surviving four sons, Donald Witsman Jr. of Baytown, Texas, David (and wife, Sheila) Witsman of Shreveport, La.; Brent (and wife, Melanie) Witsman of Mount Vernon, Wash., and Jamie Witsman of Kentucky; six daughters, Tami Witsman of Baytown, Texas, Rochelle Witsman of Angola, Robin (and husband, Tony) Kohler of Fremont, Rhonda (and husband, Dale) Allen of Archbold, Ohio, Renee Witsman of Toledo, and Camby Witsman of Evansville; three brothers, Marlin (and wife, Margie) Witsman of Decker, Albert Witsman of Decker, and Tom (and wife, Betty) Witsman of Lake Charles, La.; a sister, Norma (and husband, Ted) Peterson of Canton, Ohio; and nine grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Anthony Catholic Church, Angola, with Father Fred Pasche officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Cameron Hospice and Home Healthcare or any other hospice organization.

Edgar Lowe

ANGOLA — Edgar C. Lowe, 90, of Angola, died Monday at 1:01 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Lowe was self-employed and owned the Corunna Feed Mill. He retired in 1969. He was a member of the North Scott Christian Church and Angola Lodge No. 236, F&AM. He also served as a volunteer for Cameron Home Healthcare and Hospice.

He was born Dec. 28, 1907, in DeKalb County to the late Melva D. and Dessie (Rummel) Lowe.

Mr. Lowe is survived by a son, Max D. Lowe of Topeka; three brothers, William Lowe of Hillsdale, Mich., Maurice Lowe of Angola, and Dale Lowe of Ashley; three sisters, Virginia Demorest of Angola, Annabelle Pocock of Angola, and Phyllis Nall of Tennessee; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mabel, in 1995.

Friends may call today from 5-8 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola. A Masonic service by Angola Lodge No. 236, F&AM, will begin at 8 tonight at the funeral home.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Woodburn Christian Children's Home and Cameron Hospice.

Evening Star, Tues., March 10, 1998

LaVonne Market

HAMILTON — LaVonne E. Market, 85, died Sunday at 1:15 a.m. in her Hamilton home.

Mrs. Market worked at the Auburn Automobile Co. for three years and Warner Gear in Auburn for 17 years. She worked at Essex Wire for eight years, retiring in 1983. She was a 50-year member of the Ladies of the Moose Lodge in Auburn.

She was born March 7, 1913, in Richland Township to the late Emery and Iva (DeWitt) Treesh.

She married Charles O. "Bus" Market on Dec. 21, 1929, in Auburn, and he survives.

Also surviving her are two brothers, Loyton Treesh and Dale Treesh, both of Auburn.

Two sisters, Eula Carroll and Bernida Carter, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

Myrtle Colacuori

ANGOLA — Myrtle Elizabeth Colacuori, 81, of Angola, died Monday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital in Angola.

Mrs. Colacuori was a homemaker and a member of Peace Lutheran Church, Fremont. She lived in Angola for nine years, after living at Lake George, Mich., for 16 years and in Chicago for many years before that.

She was born July 30, 1916, to the late John R. and Noral Atkinson Mathews in Van Wert, Ohio.

She married Salvatore Colacuori, on Aug. 14, 1936. He survives her.

Also surviving are a son, F. Michael Colacuori of Angola; four sisters, Barbara Schott of Rockford, Ohio; Mildred Wellman of Fort Wayne; Joyce Swander of Newburg, Ore., and Pauline Michaels of Celina, Ohio; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Also preceding her in death were a brother and sister.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with the Rev. Wayne Berksch officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Kathryn Swonger

GARRETT — Kathryn I. Swonger, 69, died Monday at 9:47 p.m. in her Garrett home. She was a homemaker.

She was born Aug. 23, 1928, in LaGrange County to the late George H. and Mary A. (Leguire) Randol.

She married Paul E. Swonger on March 6, 1944, in Angola and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Dale and David, both of Garrett; one daughter, Diana Custer of Garrett; one brother, Raymond C. Randol of Garrett; one sister, Nancy Frain of Auburn; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One brother, Amos N. Randol, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Wee Haven Workshop.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Estella M. Gilliom**, 96, died at 10:50 p.m. Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

TOPEKA — **Claudia E. Stoltz**, 88, of Elkhart and formerly of Topeka, died at 6:45 a.m. Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Friday in Topeka Baptist Church. Calling is 5-7 p.m. Thursday in the church.

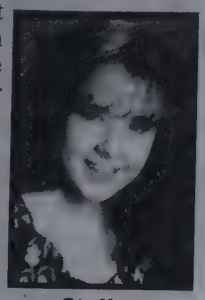
The Evening Star, Wed., March 11, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Victoria Steffen

AUBURN — Victoria J. Steffen, 18, died Monday at 8:57 p.m. near Ashley.

She was an Auburn resident and a senior at DeKalb High School, where she was an honor student and member of the track team. She had recently joined the U.S. Air Force. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn. She worked as a counter clerk at Fazoli's in Auburn.



Steffen

Miss Steffen was born Aug. 30, 1979, in Kendallville. She is survived by her father and stepmother, Larry and Shannon Steffen of Auburn, and her mother, Bobbie (Castator) Steffen Voss of Fort Wayne.

Also surviving are two brothers, Ian of Fort Wayne and Nick of Auburn; one sister, Heather of Auburn; and her grandparents, John and Eileen Conrad of Waterloo, Lannes Tuttle of Auburn, Jim Steffen of Florida, and Carol Castator of Waterloo.

Friends may call Thursday from 5-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, with the Rev. Karen Koelsch officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Walter Haislip

WATERLOO — Walter Milton Haislip, 81, died today at 6:45 a.m. in his home on Piety Hill in Waterloo.

He owned and operated Walt's Barber Shop in Waterloo from 1957 to 1980. He worked for the New York Central Railroad from 1950 to 1957, and for Standard Oil Co. from 1948 to 1950. He was a World War II veteran of the Army Air Corps.

Mr. Haislip was a member of the Auburn First United Methodist Church, DeKalb Lodge 214, F.& A.M. and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite. He was a former member of the Waterloo school board and Waterloo Town Council.

He was born Sept. 24, 1916, in Holcomb, Mo., to the late Walter and Doshia (Smith) Haislip.

He married Elizabeth Brown on Oct. 20, 1942, in Mishawaka, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Skip and Becky Haislip of Richardson, Texas; one daughter, Ginger (Mrs. David) Ready of South Bend; one sister, Martha Rinehart of Paris, Tenn.; and five grandchildren, Julie and Adam Kawalski, and Taylor, Brooke and Zoe Haislip.

One sister, Agnes Hayes, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 3-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or First United Methodist Church.

Anna Jennings

AUBURN — Anna T. Jennings, 81, died Tuesday at 7:40 a.m. in Harborside Healthcare Center at New Haven.

Mrs. Jennings was a homemaker and lived in Auburn. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, and its Nellie Weaver Circle and church choir. She also was a member of the DeKalb County Extension Homemakers Chorus and Heimach Songbirds.

She was born Nov. 3, 1916, in Glen Gardner, N.J., to the late William J. and Jessie (Smith) Grube.

She married George A. Jennings on Nov. 28, 1937, in Glen Gardner and he died in 1992.

Surviving her are two sons, William H. of Arlington, Mass., and Edward G. of Lawrenceburg; two brothers, Louis Grube of Sommerville, N.J., and Elmer Grube of Clifton, N.J.; three sisters, Emma Dowches of Glen Gardner, Sister M. Louise Grube of Blue Point, Long Island, N.Y., and Wilma Temple of Little Bear Creek, Wash.; and five grandchildren.

One sister, Lulu Vanderwater, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-7 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Naughright-Scarponi Funeral Home, High Bridge, N.J. The Rev. Thomas Higgins will officiate, with burial in Spruce Run Cemetery in Glen Gardner.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First United Methodist Church or the Arthritis Foundation.

Evening Star, Wed., March 11, 1998

Robert Hemrick

ANGOLA — Robert J. Hemrick, 71, of Angola, died Tuesday at 2 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Hemrick retired in 1989 from Aro Corp. of Angola, where he was employed as a manufacturing engineer. He captained the Tri-State University basketball team and was named to the Indiana College All-Star Team in 1950. He was a member of the TSU Athletic Hall of Fame. He served with the Air Force in World War II.

He was born Nov. 1, 1926, in Fort Wayne to the late Frank and Clara (Anderson) Hemrick.

He was married Sept. 14, 1984, and his wife, Mary Marleen Hemrick, survives him.

Also surviving are one son, Jim Hemrick of Ottawa, Ohio; two daughters, Debra Wolf of Valparaiso and Lynn Willcutts of Fort Wayne; one sister, Margaret Sell of Fort Wayne; and nine grandchildren.

His first wife, Mary Ellen Hemrick, preceded him in death in 1977.

Friends may call Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Glenda Woodcox officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Helyn Smith

ANGOLA — Helyn E. Smith, 87, of Angola, died Tuesday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and had worked at Rogers Drug Store in Angola. She was a member of the Women of the Moose, Angola lodge.

She was born Dec. 31, 1910, in Montpelier, Ohio, to the late John and Mergie (Ankney) Bermingham.

Surviving are a son, David "Marty" Brannan of Fremont; a daughter, Margo Urgitus of Prescott, Ariz.; a stepson, Harold Smith of Angola; a stepdaughter, Brenda Saylor of Angola; and two sisters, Elsie Lewis of Albuquerque, N.M., and Kate Shawl of Montpelier; six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, six stepgrandchildren and nine stepgreat-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter G. Smith, on June 6, 1977, and a sister.

Service arrangements are pending with the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. There will be no calling.

Patricia Combs

HELMER — Patricia L. Combs, 48, of Helmer, died at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday in Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson.

Rev. Dr. R.L. Henney

CORUNNA — The Rev. Dr. Robert L. Henney, 64, of Corunna, died at 3:45 a.m. Wednesday in his residence.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Glenn T. Jackson**, 65, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

Margaret Hardy

CLEAR LAKE — Margaret Carrie Hardy, 89, of Clear Lake, died Monday at 9 a.m. in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hardy was a homemaker and a member of the Clear Lake Baptist Women's Society.

She was born Aug. 29, 1908, in Angola to John and Mary (Fast) Ewers.

Surviving are one daughter, Marilyn (Mrs. Thomas) Lindenburg of Fort Wayne, and two granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wilbur, in 1985, and her son, Max, in 1993.

Friends may call at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont from 4-8 p.m. Friday.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. Thomas Smith officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to RISE Inc. of Angola.

Deaths/Funerals

Rev. Robert Henney

CORUNNA — The Rev. Dr. Robert Lee Henney, 64, of Corunna, died at 3:45 a.m. Wednesday at his home.

Henney

He was born on Oct. 16, 1933, in Auburn, to George Kenneth and Mary Erma (Warble) Henney. His father survives. On June 17, 1956, he married Caroline Richards, who survives.

He was the mental health administrator for Johnson complex at the Fort Wayne Developmental Center in Fort Wayne.

Rev. Dr. Henney received a bachelor's degree in religion from Dury College in Springfield, Mo., a bachelor's degree in divinity from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, a master's degree in theology and philosophy from Butler University and a PhD in adult education and philosophy from Indiana University.

He worked as a minister in Christian Churches Disciples of Christ in Everton, Mo., Plato, Mo., Banquo, Ind., Bloomfield, Ind., Mountain Grove Church and the Corunna Church of Christ in Corunna from 1955 to 1957.

Rev. Dr. Henney worked for the Board of Fundamental Education in Indianapolis and as the director of adult education for the Indiana Department of Corrections.

He was also president of the Institute for Comprehensive Planning and Educational Diagnostic Services and an associate professor of philosophy at Purdue University at the Westville extension.

Rev. Dr. Henney had a long career of educating adults as well as assisting in the lives of the developmentally disabled.

Surviving in addition to his wife and father are a son and daughter-in-law, Phillip and Sue Henney of San Francisco, Calif.; a daughter, Linda Henney of Corunna; a sister, Diane King of Pleasanton, Calif.; and a brother, Paul Henney of Mesa, Ariz.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Corunna Church of Christ with the Rev. Phred Cain officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery in rural Corunna.

Calling is from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Hite Funeral Home, 403 S. Main St., Kendallville, and one hour before the service at the church.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society or the Fort Wayne Developmental Center.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church. Featheringill Mortuary, San Diego, was in charge of arrangements.

Patricia Combs

HELMER — Patricia L. "Trish" (Hartman) Combs, 48, of Helmer, died at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday at the IU Medical Center, Indianapolis.

She was born March 31, 1949, in Kendallville to Harold and Ruby (Goodrich) O'Brian.

She was a lifelong resident of the Helmer community and attended Community Baptist Church, rural Wolcottville.

Surviving are her husband, Johnny Combs of Helmer; her mother in Ashley; four sons, Jerry Hartman of Albion, Edward Hartman and his wife, Bree, of Kendallville, Joseph Hartman of Hudson, and Kristopher Hartman of Helmer; two stepsons, Ronnie Combs of Helmer, and David Combs of White Pigeon, Mich,; a stepdaughter, Delana Mann of Orlando, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Jerry (Margaret "Judy") Bushey of Ashley, and Mrs. Brian (Sandy) Worthman of Decatur; a brother and sister-in law, Edward and Pat O'Brian of Sellersburg; and five grandchildren.

Her father preceded her in death in 1973.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Community Baptist Church, rural Wolcottville, with the Rev. Lee Combs officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Calling is at the church after 2 p.m. today. An evening service will be held tonight at 7 at the church.

Memorials are to the family.

Arlo King

WATERLOO — Arlo E. King, 80, died Wednesday at 3:10 p.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mr. King was a Smithfield Township dairy farmer and owned and operated King Electric & Refrigeration for several years, retiring in 1982. He lived on County Road 27, Waterloo.

He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He was a member of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, Waterloo, and Waterloo Veterans of Foreign Wars, and served on the board of directors for DeKalb Financial Credit Union for many years.

He was born Nov. 6, 1917, in Helmer to the late Riley V. and Mayne (Myers) King.

He married Alice Sherwood on May 11, 1943, in Butler and she died Aug. 5, 1996.

Surviving him are one sister, Donna Kelley of West Palm Beach, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews, including Teresa Wilhelm of Lantana, Fla., Glenn Kelly of Wellington, Fla., and DeWayne Kelley of Knoxville, Tenn.

One brother, Jay King, and one sister, Ileta Wilhelm, preceded him in death.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 12:30 p.m. Brian Wilcox, pastor of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will take place in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Cedar Lake Church of Christ.

Area Deaths

ROME CITY — **Lloyd Douglas "Doug" Wilson**, 55, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Hart Funeral Home, Huntington, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Leland O. Hostetler**, 77, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Shipshewana United Methodist Church. Calling 2-8 p.m. Friday in Miller Funeral Home, Middlebury, and one hour before services at the church on Saturday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Flora Mae "Hedy" Dues**, 84, died Tuesday. Services at 3 p.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling two hours before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Josie Hodis

PLEASANT LAKE - Josie Irene Hodis, 71, of Pleasant Lake, died Thursday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

A native of Hammond, Mrs. Hodis lived in the Steuben County area for 12 years. She was a homemaker.

She was born April 7, 1926, to the late Edward A. and Laydall (Mohler) Reynolds in Indiana Harbor.

She married Daniel Hodis in 1947, and he preceded her in death on Nov. 21, 1993.

Surviving are one daughter, Valarie (William) Brownewell, of Highland; one son, Niles Hodis of Florida; and four grandchildren, Bradley, Monica, Bryan and Thomas.

One sister, Jacqueline Kritner, also preceded her in death in 1994.

There will be no calling or services. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Burial will be in Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville.

Lois Shelton

ANGOLA — Lois A. Shelton, 71, of Angola, died Wednesday at Lakeland Nursing Center in Angola.

Mrs. Shelton was a homemaker and had worked at McBride Dry Cleaners and Lords dress shop. She was a member of the Angola Fire Department Auxiliary.

She was born July 14, 1926, in Auburn to the late Forrest and Jennie (Franks) Robbins.

On Nov. 10, 1945, she married Lester L. Shelton, who survives at home in Angola.

Also surviving are two sons, Kenneth L. (and wife, Karen) Shelton of Angola, and Kenton (and wife, Pat) Shelton of Angola; two sisters, Beverly Groomer of North Fort Myers, Fla., and Dorothy Erwin of Angola; four grandchildren, Scott Shelton, Jennifer Derouin, Lisa Shelton and Brian Shelton; and a great-grandson, Tyler Derouin.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Donald Robbins.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home with the Rev. Norman Fuller and the Rev. Steve Sears officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Community Playground Project and the Angola Fire Department.

Ellen Toth

QUINCY, Mich. — Ellen C. Toth, 88, of Quincy, died Thursday at noon in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Toth was a homemaker and a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church Women's Guild, Coldwater, Mich.

She was born Feb. 27, 1910, in Westmoreland, Pa., to the late Michael and Anna (Lakac) Balough.

Surviving are two daughters, Joann (and husband, Bruce) Bassage of Quincy, and Ruth (and husband, Kenneth) Sherman of Marietta, Ga.; two sons, John (and wife, Gini) Toth of Coldwater, and James (and wife, Jean) Toth of Quincy; 13 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, in 1977.

Friends may call from 4-8:30 p.m. Sunday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, where a vigil prayer service will begin at 8 p.m.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday at St. Charles Catholic Church, Coldwater, with Father Robert Creagan officiating. Burial will be in Lester Cemetery, Branch County, Mich.

Memorial donations to St. Charles Catholic Church are preferred.

The Evening Star, Sat., March 14, 1998,

Deaths

Charles Miller

ORLAND — Charles H. Miller, 79, died Friday at 2:30 p.m. in Orlando Regional Medical Center in Orlando, Fla.

He lived in Orland and was a former Garrett resident.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Area Deaths

MIDDLEBURY — **Raymond Troyer**, 67, died Thursday. Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at First Mennonite Church. Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at the church.

GOSHEN — **Dana G. Greenawalt**, 89, died Thursday. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret Funeral Home. Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Mon., March 16, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Rex Moore

AUBURN — Rex W. Moore, 79, died Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in his Auburn home.

Mr. Moore worked for Standard Oil Co., retiring in 1981 with 33 years of service. He lived in Valparaiso before moving to Auburn in 1958.

He was born Nov. 26, 1918, in Knox to the late Walter and Mamie (Shivly) Moore.

He married Rosemary Jacobs on Aug. 5, 1939, in Valparaiso, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Lyn Cook of Auburn, Kristie Marks of Madisonville, Ky., and Lori Moore-Heidrich of Spencerville; three brothers, Estas of Walkerton, and Max and James, both of Valparaiso; and two grandchildren, Rex Thomas Cook and Tessa Lynn Cook.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will follow at 2 p.m. (1 p.m. Valparaiso time) in the mausoleum at Graceland Cemetery, Valparaiso.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be directed to the DeKalb Music Association for the benefit of the band and show choir.

Helyn Smith

ANGOLA — Helyn E. Smith, 87, of Angola, died Tuesday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and had worked at Rogers Drug Store in Angola. She was a member of the Women of the Moose, Angola lodge.

She was born Dec. 31, 1910, in Montpelier, Ohio, to the late John and Mergie (Ankney) Bermingham.

Surviving are a son, David "Marty" Brannan of Fremont; a daughter, Margo Urgitus of Prescott, Ariz.; a stepson, Harold Smith of Angola; a stepdaughter, Brenda Saylor of Angola; two sisters, Elsie Lewis of Albuquerque, N.M., and Kate Shawl of Montpelier; six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, six step-grandchildren and nine step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter G. Smith, on June 6, 1977, and a sister.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, Steuben County.

Charles Miller

ORLAND — Charles H. Miller, 79, died Friday at 2:30 p.m. in Orlando Regional Medical Center in Orlando, Fla.

Mr. Miller lived in Orland and formerly resided in Garrett. He worked for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for 40 years, retiring in 1979. He was a U.S. Army infantry veteran, and a member of the Brighton Chapel Brethren Church in Brighton, and Garrett American Legion Post 178.

He was born Feb. 13, 1919, in Garrett to the late Harry and Effie (Quinn) Miller.

He married Elsie Yarde on May 11, 1941, in the First Baptist Church, Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Larry G. and Ronald J., both of Garrett; one daughter, Diane Spurgeon of Plymouth Meeting, Pa.; one sister, Betty Smith of Garrett; 15 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

One brother, one sister and one stepgrandson preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Brighton Chapel Brethren Church, with calling at the church after noon. Pastor George Youstra will officiate, with burial in Embrey Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Evening Star, Mon., March 16, 1998

Roy Bissell

SPENCERVILLE — Roy Elmer Bissell, 78, died Sunday at 1:15 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital of Indiana in Fort Wayne.

He retired in 1981 from Fruehauf Corp. as a finish spray painter. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Spencerville United Methodist Church, Concord Masonic Lodge 556, F.&A.M., Spencerville Order of the Eastern Star 386, Scottish Rite and York Rite.

Mr. Bissell was born July 4, 1919, in Cecil, Ohio, to the late William Elmer and Blanche Edna (Thomas) Bissell.

He married Jeanne Ulm on June 18, 1949, in the Spencerville United Methodist Church parsonage, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Sandra Lechleidner of Butler, Jayme Tatro of Springfield, Ohio, and Cynthia Ross of Hicksville, Ohio; one son, Michael of Spencerville; one sister, Virginia Grace of Fort Wayne; one brother, Warren Bissell of Payne, Ohio; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Zella Mull and Rose Anthony; and three brothers, Thomas Harold, John and Paul.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. A Masonic service will be conducted Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Mark Hambrock officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or the American Heart Association.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **Janice I. Lantz**, 37, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

ALBION — **Harold K. "Smitty" Smith**, 77, died Thursday. Services were today in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, Columbia City.

Deaths/Funerals

Paul Krieg

BUTLER — Paul O. Krieg, 69, of Butler, died Tuesday at 1:50 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. He had suffered an aneurysm of the aorta.

Mr. Krieg was employed at H. K. Porter in Huntington for 29 years, retiring in 1983. He attended Butler Church of the Nazarene. He was an Army veteran of the Korean conflict, serving as an ambulance driver.

He was born July 5, 1928, in Warren to Otis and Agnes (Griggs) Krieg, who are deceased.

He married Marilyn Berry on May 16, 1992, in Butler and she survives.

Also surviving are two stepsons, Randy and Rusty Berry, both of Butler; three brothers, Ivan of Converse, Allen of Richmond, Ind., and Jim of Leeswood, Fla.; two sisters, Betty Miller of Huntington and Mary Ann James of Warren; and four stepgrandchildren, Kayla, Ariel, Trevor and Lindsay Berry.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in the Butler Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Paul Patton officiating.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8:30 p.m., at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

William Wink

GARRETT — William B. Wink, 68, of Garrett, died Monday at 5:34 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Wink retired in 1989 with 23 years of service as a conductor on CSX Railroad. He was a Korean conflict veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a life member of Deshler American Legion Post 316 in Deshler, Ohio, and American Veterans Post 1313 of Napoleon, Ohio. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles and Elks lodges.

He was born April 13, 1929, in Bowling Green, Ohio, to the late Brooks H. and Bernice A. (Morlock) Wink.

Surviving him are a son and daughter-in-law, William D. and Alice Wink of Kendallville; one daughter and son-in-law, Shawn M. and Kevin Wulff of Deshler, Ohio; and four grandchildren, Jennifer and Nathan Wink of Kendallville, and Matthew and Heather Wulff of Deshler.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in Rodenberger Funeral Home, Deshler, with calling after 10 a.m. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Deshler.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society, or DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Charles Market

HAMILTON —Charles O. "Bus" Market, 88, died Monday at 4:30 p.m. in his Hamilton home.

Mr. Market worked in the maintenance department at Warner Gear, Auburn, for 31 years. He was a 32nd-degree Mason and a 50-year member of Auburn Moose Lodge 566. He was also a member of the Butler Eagles Lodge.

He was born Jan. 19, 1910, in Toledo, Ohio, to the late Charles and Anna (Riggs) Market.

He married LaVonne Treesh on Dec. 21, 1929, in Auburn, and she died March 8, 1998.

He is survives by several nieces and nephews.

One brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p,m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with burial in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

The Evening Star, Wed., March 18, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Bonnie Schneider

FREMONT — Bonnie Lou Schneider, 51, of Fremont, died Monday at 10:30 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Schneider worked at Brighton Mushroom Farm and was a member of Nevada Mills Church.

She was born Jan. 10, 1947, in Fort Wayne to Maxine (Conway) and Donald Schneider of Fremont, who survive.

Friends may call Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Carl Lott officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to Nevada Mills Church.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Velma Viola VanHouten**, 82, died Monday. Private services. Calling 6-9 p.m. Thursday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

The Evening Star, Thurs., March 19, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Ginne Bauermeister

AUBURN — Ginne D. Bauermeister, 21, died Wednesday at 1:14 p.m. in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

She was a student at Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne and lived in rural Auburn. She was employed by Standard Federal Bank in Fort Wayne and formerly worked at the Auburn State Bank. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, and a volunteer at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum.

Miss Bauermeister was born March 25, 1976, in Fort Wayne to Jerry W. and Susan J. (Adams) Bauermeister. They survive in rural Auburn.

Also surviving are her brother, Andrew W. of Auburn; and her grandparents, Norbert and Phyllis Adams of Pretty Lake, Stroh.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Lloyd Bickel of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Auburn Fire Department training fund or the church.

The Evening Star, Fri., March 20, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Hoyte Thomas

FORT WAYNE — Hoyte F. Thomas, 86, died Thursday in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He worked 40 years at Wayne Pump, and retired from Bowmer Inc. in 1978. He was president of the local UAW and was a member of United Electrical Workers. He was the Union Local manager for 10 years at Lawton Park Little League. He lived in Fort Wayne most of his life and was an Auburn native.

Surviving him are his wife, Geraldine; three daughters, Jackie Bobel of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, and Cheryl L. Wiegman and Deborah Kay Archer, both of Fort Wayne; three sons, Steve L., Harry M. and Timothy E., all of Fort Wayne; one brother, Eugene A. Thomas of Auburn; 19 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 5-8 p.m. in Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 1 p.m. Burial will take place in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be give to ARCH or the American Diabetes Society.

Evelyn Vogts

HUNTERTOWN — Evelyn M. Vogts, 67, died Wednesday at 10:40 p.m. in her home. She was a lifetime resident of the community.

She was born June 7, 1930, in Fort Wayne to the late Reed and Florence (Ambler) Warner.

Surviving her are five daughters, Roberta A. Vogts and Barbara L. Vogts, both of Garrett, Susan K. Powell of Fort Wayne, Vickie A. Meyers of Huntertown and Sandy L. Cooper-Jansen of Parma, Ohio; one sister, Violet M. Sharp of Pleasant Lake; one brother, Kenneth E. Warner of Lynchburg, Va., eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 Dupont Road, Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Norman Conklin officiating. Burial will be in Dutch Ridge Cemetery, Huntertown.

Memorial contributions may be given to Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice.

Deaths/Funerals

Loraine Corry

GARRETT — Loraine E. Corry, 74, died Friday at 3:25 p.m. in Hospice Home of Northeastern Indiana in Fort Wayne.

She was born March 21, 1923, in Garrett to Lewis and Meta (Hutt) Babbitt. On April 15, 1945, she married Max B. Corry in Garrett. He preceded her in death on April 15, 1978.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Garrett and had been a bank teller at Peoples Federal Savings in Garrett.

Surviving are two sons, William L. Corry and James E. Corry, both of Fort Wayne; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, Lester Babbitt of Garrett; and a sister, Lois Woodcock of Fort Wayne.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Garrett with the Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett Monday from 2-8 p.m. and at the church Tuesday one hour prior to services.

Memorials to Hospice Home of Northeastern Indiana or First Baptist Church of Garrett.

Paul Gunder

ALBION — Paul K. Gunder, 65, of Albion, died Friday at 12:10 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Fort Wayne.

He was born Feb. 1, 1933, in Noble County to Glen and Gladys (Hoffman) Gunder. On Feb. 11, 1956, in Albion, he married Vivian Arnold, who survives.

He attended Albion-Jefferson High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean conflict.

He was a machinist for American Hoist & Derrick. He lived his entire life in Noble County and was a member of Albion American Legion Post 246 and the American Legion's 40 & 8 division. He was also a member of the Noble County Veterans of Foreign Wars and was a former member of the Albion Fire Department.

Surviving with his wife are one son, Randy Gunder of Albion; two daughters, Brenda Gunder of Sacramento, Calif., and Mrs. Richard (Vicky) Colby of Fort Wayne; two grandchildren; one brother, Dennis Gunder of Bethel, Alaska; and two sisters, Helen Furhman of Angola and Linda Slocum of Henderson, Nev.

He was preceded in death by one brother and by a daughter, Cindy Gunder, who died in 1967.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Orr Funeral Home, Albion, with the Rev. Paul White of Churubusco Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will be in Oak Park Cemetery in Ligonier with full military graveside rites.

Friends may call at the funeral home Monday from 2-8 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **F. Juanita Kirkpatrick**, 79, died Thursday. She was a life-long resident of Sturgis and LaGrange. Cremation has taken place. There will be no visitation or services.

Deaths/Funerals

Helen Cool

AUBURN — Helen M. Cool, 94, died Sunday at 8 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She worked for the Indiana Bell Telephone Co. for 40 years, retiring in 1962. She lived in Castle Court Apartments in Auburn and was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church. She was a former member of Tri Kappa Sorority and Auburn Garden Club.

Mrs. Cool was born Feb. 9, 1904, in Auburn to the late Lewis Lunsford and Elizabeth (Obenchain) Daniel.

She married Robert G. Cool in February 1949 in Auburn, and he died in September 1974.

Surviving her are one stepdaughter, Rosemarie Fetters of St. Joe; and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. Donovan A. Coley Sr. will officiate, with burial in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Loraine Corry

GARRETT — Loraine E. Corry, 74, died Friday at 3:25 p.m. in Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana, Fort Wayne.

She was a teller at Peoples Federal Savings Bank in Garrett and a member of the First Baptist Church in Garrett. She lived on North Franklin Street.

Mrs. Corry was born March 21, 1923, in Garrett, to the late Lewis and Meta (Hutt) Babbitt.

She married Max B. Corry on April 15, 1945, in Garrett, and he died April 15, 1978.

Surviving her are two sons, William L. and James E., both of Fort Wayne; one brother, Lester Babbitt of Garrett; one sister, Lois Woodcock of Fort Wayne; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in First Baptist Church, Garrett, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. will officiate, with burial in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice Home of Northeastern Indiana or the First Baptist Church.

Barbara Openlander

AUBURN — Barbara A. Openlander, 64, died Saturday at 4:20 p.m. in her Auburn home.

She was a homemaker, and had also worked for Indiana Bell Telephone Co., DeKalb Memorial Hospital and DeKalb Central school district. She attended Dayspring Community Church (formerly Auburn Missionary) and Auburn Alliance Church. She was a volunteer at the Good Samaritan Center, Auburn, and a 1952 graduate of Garrett High School.

Mrs. Openlander was born Feb. 21, 1934, in DeKalb County to the late Ralph J. and Maurene H. (Houser) Moss.

She married O. Wayne Openlander on July 31, 1955, in Waterloo, and he survives.

Also surviving are one son, Eric L. of Auburn; two daughters, Brenda K. Freese and Lori A. Openlander, both of Auburn; and four grandchildren, Lexi and Lydia Freese, and Ryan and Erica Openlander.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. William Lyne of Dayspring Community Church will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or Lakewood Park Christian School.

Richard Miller Sr.

FORT WAYNE — Richard D. "Sleepy" Miller Sr., 68, died Friday at his Fort Wayne home.

He worked for Peter Eckrich & Sons for 28 years, retiring in 1984. He was a 1948 graduate of Central High School and an All-City basketball player.

Mr. Miller was born Oct. 6, 1929, in Fort Wayne. His wife, Joan (Taylor) Miller, died in 1985.

Surviving him are three sons, Richard D. Jr. of Auburn, and Gregory A. Miller and Troy T. Miller, both of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Rebecca A. Saylor and Deborah S. Miller-Coffee, both of Fort Wayne; three sisters, Carol Johnson and Sara Konopinski, both of Fort Wayne, and Linda Woodside of Holly, Mich.; and 13 grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Winchester Road Chapel, 6424 Winchester Road, Fort Wayne.

Services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be given to Riley's Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

Kenneth Baker

ANGOLA — Kenneth H. Baker, 58, of Angola, died at 12:29 p.m. Saturday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Baker was a truck driver for Letica Corp. of Fremont.

He was born April 10, 1939, in Kendallville to the late Richard and Leada (Bradley) Baker.

Surviving are three sons, Robert K. Baker of Burlington, Mich., Michael A. Baker of Coldwater, Mich., and Christopher S. Baker of Wolcottville; three sisters, Sharon Baumgartner of Fort Wayne, Debbie Brown of Vermont, and Cindy LeCount of Ligonier; and two grandchildren.

Friends may call from 7-9 p.m. Monday at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola. Graveside services will be held at a later date at Hopewell Cemetery in Noble County.

Evening Star, Fri., March 23, 1998

Ellen Clifford

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — Ellen (Brazzell) Clifford, 98, died March 14 in Sioux Falls.

She was born in Langdon Ranch, S.D., Jan. 26, 1900. On March 3, 1919, she married George Clifford. He preceded her in death in 1963.

Mrs. Clifford had lived in Hawarden, Iowa, before moving to South Dakota. She was a member of St. Joseph's Cathedral in Sioux Falls and in 1982 was named St. Joseph's Mother of the Year. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Surviving are four daughters; five sons, including George Clifford of Avilla; 39 grandchildren, including Sue Cash of Avilla; 79 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons and two daughters.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Hawarden.

Eugene Bevington

FORT WAYNE — Eugene L. Bevington, 84, died Thursday at his Fort Wayne home.

Born on Van Wert County, Ohio, Mr. Bevington was retired from International Harvester.

He is survived by his wife, Bertha; one daughter, Linda Hanks of Livingston, Texas; one son, Jay, of Dayton, Ohio; two step-daughters, Ruth Kortz and Emma Jean Bourquin, both of Fort Wayne; one sister, Rowena Stilwell of Cedar Lake, Ill.; one brother, Gerald, of New Haven; two grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruth Elaine Bevington, in 1982.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Avenue, Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Heart Association.

Homer Zartman

BUTLER — Homer A. Zartman, 66, died Saturday at 9 a.m. in his Butler home.

He retired from Dietrick's in Hicksville, Ohio, in 1978. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in the Korean Conflict.

Mr. Zartman was born May 27, 1931, in Payne, Ohio, to the late Gilbert and Edna (Warner) Zartman.

Surviving him are three sons, Randy Madden and Eugene Zartman, both of Hicksville, Ohio, and Homer Jr. of Butler; six daughters, Cindy Madden of Canby, Ore.; Thelma Kohn of Churubusco, Wanda Eccard of Hicksville, Peggy Friend of Antwerp, Ohio, Janet Hall of Butler, and Mary Zartman of Beaverton, Ore.; one brother, Jim Zartman of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Dorothy Nichols of New Haven and Eleanor Tigner of Warsaw; 16 grandchildren; and his former wife, Helen Young of Auburn.

One son, Gilbert Zartman, and one brother, Floyd Zartman, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson and Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Dennis Leinbach of the Butler United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Sylvia Hollinshead

HOWE — Sylvia Alice Hollinshead, 83, a resident of Oaklawn Adult Foster Care in Battle Creek, Mich., died in Battle Creek Health System in Battle Creek at 8 a.m. Saturday.

She was born in Broadview, Mont., Jan. 29, 1915, to Glenn and Emily (Seybert) Hollinshead.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Keith (Joan) Koroll of Chicago, Ill., and Phyliss Hugelman of Pierre, S.D.

Graveside services will be at Riverside Cemetery, Howe.

There will be no funeral services or visitation.

Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home in Howe is in charge of arrangements.

Lila Kinnison

WAWAKA — Lila Lee Kinnison, 43, of Wawaka, was pronounced dead at McCray Memorial Hospital's emergency room at 9:47 p.m. Friday, after becoming ill at home.

She was born July 28, 1954, in Martin, Ky., to Henry and Sarah (Shoeffer) Adkins. On Oct. 18, 1969, in Mansfield, Ohio, she married David Lee Kinnison. He survives.

Mrs. Kinnison, a homemaker, had lived in Mansfield, Ohio, before moving to Noble County 27 years ago. She attended LaGrange Baptist Church.

Surviving with her husband are two sons, David Charles Kinnison of Wawaka, and Bryan Dail Kinison of Albion; a daughter, Angela Sue Cox of Mansfield; three brothers and sisters-in-law, Dean and Ruth Adkins of LaGrange, Vernon and Loretta Adkins of Savannah, Ohio, and Robert Adkins of Mansfield; six sisters and brothers-in-law, Evelyn and Bob Simmons, Sandra and Anthony Christo, Judy Adkins and Beecher, Linda and Allen Bartram, Arlene and Roy Duncan and Betty and Ed Crose, all of Mansfield; three granddaughters, one grandson, 12 nieces, 12 nephews and 36 great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Sonny and Scottie Adkins, and a sister, Darlene.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with the Rev. Bryan Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier.

Preferred memorials are to LaGrange Baptist Church.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Rosanna Sue Mosshammer**, 48, died Friday morning. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 6-8 p.m. today.

HOWE — **Sylvia Alice Hollinshead**, 83, died Saturday at 8 a.m. Graveside services were held today at 10 a.m. in Riverside Cemetery, Howe.

The Evening Star, Tues., March 24, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Pauline Kuhn

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Pauline A. Kuhn, 80, died early Monday afternoon in her Hicksville home.

She had worked at Casade Depot in New Haven and retired from Weatherhead Corp. in Antwerp, Ohio, in 1979. She was a member of Hicksville Grace United Methodist Church and Hicksville Flower Club. She was a past member of the Order of Eastern Star. She graduated from Waterloo High School in the class of 1935.

Mrs. Kuhn was born April 1, 1917, in Waterloo to the late Fritz and Mary Ellen (Prall) Wing.

She married Wade Kuhn on Feb. 23, 1937, in Ohio City, Ohio, and he died April 14, 1988.

Surviving her are one son, Fritz Kuhn of Hicksville; four sisters, Vivian Morgan of Butler, Mildred Arnold of Coldwater, Mich., Beulah Hire of Fremont, and Anna Eberly of Waterloo; three brothers, Walter Wing of Toledo, Ohio, Bill Wing of Florida, and Rodney Wing of Grand Ledge, Mich.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Dr. Gerald Kuhn; two sisters, Cleo Corbin and Ruth Grimm; and two brothers, Paul Wing and Wayland Wing.

Friends may call Wednesday after 2 p.m. and Thursday after 9 a.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Greg Inboden, pastor of Grace United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Preferred memorial contributions are to the Paulding County Visiting Nurses Association.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Gerda W. Schrubkowski**, 76, died Sunday. Memorial services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Okemos, Mich.

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Baltzell

SPENCERVILLE — Robert J. Baltzell, 73, died Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in Auburn Health Care Nursing Home.

He worked at International Harvester for 30 years. He was a World War II navy veteran.

Mr. Baltzell was born Jan. 26, 1925, in Toledo, Ohio. His mother, Opal (Eller) Baltzell Kline, survives in Fort Wayne and his father is deceased.

He married Emma L. Scott on July 1, 1950, in Angola and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Jack Scott of Lockport, N.Y.; one daughter, Judy Orr of Columbia City; his stepfather, Samuel C. Kline of Fort Wayne; a sister, Evelyn Arnett of Fort Wayne; a brother, Ray Baltzell of Lanesboro, Minn.; and four grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Paul Brenneman officiating. Burial will be in the Newville Church of Christ Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Lung Association of Northeast Indiana, 802 W. Wayne St., Fort Wayne IN 46802.

Margaret Gaietto

TIFFIN, Ohio — Margaret M. Gaietto, 73, of Tiffin, Ohio, died Tuesday at 2:40 a.m. in Mercy Hospital, Tiffin.

Mrs. Gaietto was born June 15, 1924 in Tiffin to Clarence and Olga (Houck) Tiell, who preceded her in death.

On July 28, 1945 she married Vincent J. Gaietto in St. Joseph Church, Tiffin, and he survives.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, St. Mary's Altar Society and St. Francis Auxiliary. She was a graduate of Calvert High School.

Along with her husband, she is survived by four sons, David of Auburn, Vincent and Kenneth, both of Tiffin, and Robert of Sycamore, Ohio; five daughters and sons-in-law, Carol and Charles Clark of Galion, Ohio, Jane and Lee Carroll of Sylvania, Ohio, Ann Marie and Greg Waire of Tiffin, Christine and Ted Lemmon of Milford, Ohio, and Kathleen and Anthony Reser of Tiffin; two sisters, Dorothy Kopp and Anna Scholl, both of Tiffin; three brothers, Louis Tiell of Fremont and Howard and Bernard Tiell, both of Tiffin; 22 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Two brothers, Fred and Tom Tiell, and one grandchild preceded her in death.

A funeral mass will take place at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in St. Mary's Catholic Church with Rev. Frank A. Murd and Rev. Richard Dunn officiating.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Hoffmann-Gottfried Funeral Home, Tiffin.

A wake service will take place at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home and a rosary will be conducted at 10:15 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ursuline Sisters Retirement Fund, Toledo, Ohio, or Cleveland Clinic.

Howard Best

FORT MYERS, Fla. — Howard W. Best, 81, died Monday at 3:30 p.m. in Columbia Regional Medical Center, Fort Myers.

He lived on North Randolph Street in Garrett for many years before moving to Michigan and then Fort Myers. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was born Aug. 21, 1916, in Delphos, Ohio, to the late Oscar W. and Pearl May Best.

He married Beatrice Hauck on Aug. 27, 1937, in Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Gene A. of Plymouth, Mich., and Jerry L. of Madison Heights, Mich.; two sisters, Helen Baysinger of Auburn and Martha Garrison of Garrett; four brothers, Eugene of Albion, Norman of Indianapolis, Clarence of Auburn and Richard of Lafayette; and four grandsons.

Two brothers, Donald and Ralph, preceded him in death.

Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. in Schradder Funeral Home, Plymouth, Mich., with calling after 10 a.m. Burial will be in Glenn Edon Cemetery in Plymouth.

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **David K. Ingrum**, 58, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Thurs., March 26, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

George McPherson

GOLDEN VALLEY, Minn. — George W. McPherson, 78, died March 13 in Golden Valley, Minn.

He was the former plant manager of Hubbard Spool in Garrett. He was an Auburn resident for 15 years in the 1970s and 1980s, and formerly attended the Bible Baptist Church in Auburn. He lived in Golden Valley.

Mr. McPherson was born in January 1920.

Surviving him are his wife, Lucille McPherson; one brother and sister-in-law, Tom and Eleanor McPherson; four sisters-in-law, Bernice, Lula, Vadella and Thelma, and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held March 17 in Gearty-Delmore Robinsdale Chapel in Robinsdale, Minn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of the donor's choice

Beulah Stayer

ST. CLOUD, Fla. — Beulah Irene Stayer, 76, died Saturday, March 7, in her home in St. Cloud, Fla.

She was a homemaker and former Hamilton resident.

Mrs. Stayer was born June 13, 1921, in Noble County to the late Oscar and Mary Elizabeth (Wood) Christlieb. Her husband, Merle Edward Stayer, died in 1993.

Surviving her are two sons, Oscar and Robert, both of Auburn; one daughter, JoAnn Williams of St. Cloud; two brothers, Martin Christlieb of Angola and Delbert Christlieb of Toledo; three sisters, Ruby Whittington of Auburn, Lulubelle Sutton of Orland and Martha Howey of Hamilton; seven grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in the Butler Cemetery. Friends may call from noon-2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Christian Stickan

BUTLER — Christian A. Stickan, 66, died Tuesday at 11:14 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient one week.

He lived in rural Butler and was a lifelong farmer in the Edgerton, Ohio, area. He was a member of Zion United Methodist Church near Hamilton, Edgerton Masonic Lodge 357, F. & A.M., Zenobia Shrine in Toledo, Ohio, and the Scottish Rite in Toledo. He was a 32nd degree Mason.

Mr. Stickan was born April 26, 1931, near Coldwater, Mich., to the late Emery and Evangeline (Howard) Stickan.

He married Mary Calhoon on June 27, 1948, in Bronson, Mich., and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Steven of Edon, Ohio, David of Butler, and Keith of Edgerton; one brother, Emery of Kalamazoo, Mich.; one sister, Wanda Printke; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by one infant brother and one son, Kenneth, in 1971.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton, with calling after noon. The Rev. Steven Horner of Zion Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or Shriners Crippled Children's Hospitals.

Deaths/Funerals

Lillian Adams

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Lillian M. Adams, 87, died at Parkview Nursing Care Center, Edgerton, Ohio, at 12:25 p.m. Thursday where she had been a resident for the past 3 1/2 years.

She was born Sept. 10, 1910, in Sherwood, Ohio, to Tony and Mary (Horka) Kozumplik. In 1931 she married Joseph R. Adams and he died May 19, 1991. She was a homemaker all her life.

She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville, and the Altar and Rosary Society.

She is survived by four daughters. Mrs. Don (Ruth) Herman of Edgerton, Mrs. Joseph (Helen) Keane of Pearl River, N.Y., and Mrs. Kenneth (Luddy) Keating and Mary Ann Kienzle of Antwerp; six sons, John of Columbus, Ohio, Ben and Carl of Nokomis, Fla., Victor and Joe of Hicksville, and Paul of Antwerp; 42 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; one brother, Nick Kozumplik of Bryan, Ohio; and one sister, Helen Wisniewski of Southfield, Mich.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Paula Ann, a son, Richard Lee, two brothers, Charles and John, and two sisters, Mary and Stella.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville, with Fr. Thomas E. Oedy officiating. Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday at the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, where a prayer service will be conducted at 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael's Catholic Church or the Williams County Hospice.

Esther Miller

LAGRANGE — Esther R. Miller, 85, of LaGrange, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor in LaGrange.

Mrs. Miller was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ in Edon, Ohio, and of the Presbyterian Church in Leesburg, Fla. Formerly of Cooney, Ohio, she lived in Coachwood Colony, Leesburg, Fla., for 20 years. She was born Aug. 15, 1912 in Fort Wayne to the late Charles and Minnie Walker Bolinger.

She was married Nov. 29, 1928 to Guy Miller, who preceded her in death in 1975.

She is survived by a son, Larry (and Shirley) Miller of Port Charlotte, Fla.; three grandchildren, Stan (and Debra) Miller of Litchfield, Mich.; Lynne Miller of South Bend; and Jennifer (and Rodney) Nichols of Orland; two great-grandchildren, Ellie Miller of Litchfield, Mich.; and Ross Nichols of Orland; five sisters, Doris Snyder of Fort Wayne; Velma Osbun of Fort Wayne; and Norma (and Jim) Francis of Fort Wayne; Alta (and Lester) Shroyer of Erie, Pa.; and Betty (and Paul) Young of Arvada, Colo.; and one brother, Norman Bolinger of Fort Wayne.

Also preceding her in death were four brothers and one sister.

Friends may call from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Services will take place at the funeral home at 1 p.m. Saturday, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. A memorial service and burial will be in Maplewood Cemetery, Reading, Mich.

Victor Miller

SPENCERVILLE — Victor Miller, 80, died Wednesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was a carpenter for Graber Homes, retiring with 33 years of services. He was a lifelong Allen County resident.

Mr. Miller was born Feb. 2, 1918, in Allen County.

Surviving are his wife, Rosa; four sons, Elmer of New Haven, Mervin of Hamilton, Marvin of Antwerp, Ohio, and Reuben of Huntertown; four daughters, Laveda Lilly and Catherine Hart, both of Hicksville, Ohio, Rose Davis of Decatur, and Verna Phillips of Cedarville; three brothers, Dave Jr. of Grabill, Joe of Woodburn and Bill of Grabill; one sister, Lucy Graber of New Haven; 35 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

One son, Lavern, preceded him in death in 1977.

Friends may call Friday and Saturday from noon-9 p.m. in Ridgeview Mennonite Church, Roberts Road, Harlan.

Services will be held Sunday at 10 a.m. at the church, with calling after 9 a.m. Burial will take place in Schlatter Cemetery, Leo.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of the donor's choice.

Hockemeyer Funeral Home, Harlan, is in charge of arrangements.

Evening Star, Fri, March 27, 1998

Lois Rogers

HAMILTON — Lois M. Rogers, 79, died Wednesday night at her home, 303 Depot Place, Hamilton.

After many years of working at General Electric, she took an early retirement. She was a member of the Hamilton Fish and Game Club and a member of the Women of the Moose.

She married Maurice "Zirk" Rogers on Sept. 22, 1962 and he preceded her in death in 1986.

She is survived by a son, John Tibbles of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, Shiela Covington, Lisa Knepper and Gary Knepper, all of Fort Wayne, and Jon Knepper of Ottowa, Ill.; a brother, John Tinsley of Fort Wayne; four great-grandchildren; and two nieces.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Karen Knepper.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton, with the Rev. Edwin L. Clark officiating. Friends may call today, 4-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the family's choice.

Harriet Armstrong

RALEIGH, N.C. — Harriet Sue Armstrong, 55, died March 20.

She was a Girl Scout leader and former president of the Millbrook High School Band Boosters. She was a member of the North Raleigh United Methodist Church, where she served on the altar guild. She lived at 7613 Harps Mill Road, Raleigh.

Mrs. Armstrong was born in Angola to the late Wendell C. and Ruth E. Allen. Her husband, Laurence Lee Armstrong, died March 17, 1991.

Surviving are two sons, Jeffrey L. of Wake Forest, N.C., and Mark A. Armstrong of Raleigh; one daughter, Jennifer K. Armstrong of Raleigh; one brother, Donald Allen of Indiana, two sisters, Marcia Luttman and Janice Luttman, both of Florida; and one grandchild, Victoria A. Armstrong.

Services were held Tuesday in the North Raleigh United Methodist Church. Burial followed in Raleigh Memorial Park.

Sanger Stabler

ALBION — Memorial services for Sanger Stabler, 54, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. in Miller's Reception Hall (beside the Olympic Flame) on U.S. 6 West, Kendallville. He died Jan. 22 in his home in Murfreesboro, Tenn. He was a former Albion resident.

He was born March 30, 1943, to Albert and Nora Nadine (Smith) Stabler. She survives. He was a retired iron worker.

Surviving with his wife are four daughters, Fawn Stabler of Columbia City, Michelle Mosley of Albion, Tracey March of Garrett and Melanie Davis of Murfreesboro; a brother, Lawrence Stabler of Bluffton; two sons-in-law, Scott Mosley of Albion and Don March of Garrett; and seven grandchildren.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Sanger Stabler**, 54, died Jan. 22 in Tennessee. Memorial services at 3 p.m. Sunday in Miller's Reception Hall, Kendallville. No calling.

CROMWELL — **Chance J. Felix**, 1 day old, died Wednesday. Graveside services at 2 p.m. Saturday in Oak Park Funeral Home, Ligonier. No calling.

HOWE — **Z. Florence Gillespie**, 76, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Monday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

LAGRANGE — **Jerry A. Harter**, 28, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in LaGrange Missionary Church. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Josephine Dean Beeching**, 76, died Monday. Graveside services at 11 a.m. Monday in Green Hill Cemetery. No calling.

Deaths

John Bohrer

GARRETT — John H. Bohrer, 84, of Garrett, died Friday at 8:30 a.m. at his son's home in Huntington.

Mr. Bohrer was a Rockcreek Township farmer and retired in 1982. He was a member of SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Huntington, and also a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

He was born Nov. 13, 1913, in Fort Wayne to Gerhart and Francis (Bott) Bohrer. His parents preceded him in death.

He married Mary M. Schmoll Sept. 15, 1951, in Fort Wayne. She died Dec. 13, 1992. His second marriage was to Ethel Schurr on Aug. 1, 1993, in Garrett. She survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are one son, Charles Bohrer of Huntington; three grandchildren; one sister, Mary Gibson of Columbia City; two stepsons, Robert Schurr of Marathon, Fla., and David Schurr of Leo; and two stepdaughters, Beverly Carper of Garrett and Carol Schlabach of Fort Wayne.

One brother, Frank Bohrer, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington. A rosary will be said at 6 p.m

Services will be conducted Monday at 9 a.m. in SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Huntington, with Father Ron Rieder officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Huntington.

Memorial contributions may be given to SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church and Huntington Hospice.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Donna D. Houk**, 87, Fort Wayne, died Friday at 6:07 a.m. Services 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Huntertown United Methodist Church

The Evening Star, Mon., March 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Laura Fry

AUBURN — Laura Anna Fry, 80, died Saturday at 11:30 p.m. in Auburn Health Care Center.

Mrs. Fry was a homemaker and worked at the West King Street Laundromat in Garrett in the mid-1970s. She formerly lived in Wesley Park Apartments in Auburn, and in the Kendallville and Avilla areas. She was a member of Child Evangelism Fellowship of DeKalb County and Dayspring Community Church (formerly Auburn Missionary Church) in Auburn.

She was born Oct. 11, 1917, in Garrett to the late Albert and Myrtle (Hanson) King.

She married Garman Fry on Jan. 23, 1937, in Auburn, and he died on March 21, 1970.

Surviving her are five sons (four are listed with their wives), Donald Fry of Newark, Del., David (and Norma) Fry of St. Joe, Jerald (and Donna) Fry of Garrett, Gerald (and Donna) Fry of Auburn, and Bill (and Kathy) Fry of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; one sister, Lois (Mrs. Corliss) Hungerford of Fort Wayne; 14 grandchildren, six stepgrandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Bessie Witt and Edna Getts, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Dayspring Community Church, Auburn, with the Rev. Bill Lyne officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church, Youth For Christ, or Child Evangelism Fellowship.

Kyle Cooper

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. — Kyle H. Cooper, 44, of Traverse City, Mich., died Saturday in his home.

He was born March 28, 1954, to Ralph Kent and Janet (Huber) Cooper. On Oct. 21, 1995, in Traverse City, he married Pamela Ann Panek. She survives.

Mr. Cooper, formerly of Hamilton and Bellefontaine, Ohio, was a transport operator for CF Motor Freight since 1894. He attended St. Patrick's Catholic Church and was a member of Teamsters Union Local 406. He enjoyed fishing, ham radio and working on his truck.

Surviving with his wife are a son, Zachary Kyle Cooper of Traverse City; his mother and stepfather, Janet and Gene Price of Hamilton; brothers, Michael Kent Cooper of Kendallville, and Kevin Scott Cooper of Garrett; a sister, Mrs. Richard (Cathy Lynn) Aldrich of Indianapolis; a stepsister, Gina Sanchez of Kendallville; and a stepbrother, Gene Price Jr. of Fort Wayne.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1969; maternal grandmother Pauline Huber; and paternal grandparents Chester and Gertrude Cooper.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Traverse City, Mich., with the Rev. Gerald Miketti officiating.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. today and 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday in Traverse City Chapel of Covell Funeral Homes. Scripture services will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Memorial Fund in Memory of Kyle H. Cooper for his son Zachary Kyle Cooper.

Vera Pruitt

ANGOLA - Vera C. Pruitt, 85, of Angola, died Friday at 12:10 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

She worked 14 years in the accounting department of the U.S. Department of Finance at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, retiring in 1979. She also attended Central Baptist Church in Indianapolis. She moved to Wabash in 1979 after residing in Indianapolis 34 years.

She was born June 28, 1912, in Marion to the late Earl and Lulu (Connor) Bibler. Her husband, Dana Logan Pruitt, preceded her in death in 1980.

Surviving are two daughters, Marlene Coble of Angola and Diana Hickox of Albuquerque, N.M.; two sons, Robert of Des Plaines, Ill., [illegible]nd Mark of Rochester, Minn.; fou[illegible]ters, Ilene McMillan of Grand [illegible]ds, Mich., Margaret Sutton o[illegible]rion, and Martha Heiny ar[illegible]tty Bibler, both of Wabash; [illegible]ven grandchildren.

Grav[illegible] services were conducted [illegible]fternoon at Grant Memori[illegible] in Marion, with the Rev. D[illegible]illips officiating. Arrange[illegible]ere made by Klink Funeral [illegible]f Angola.

Evening Star, Ftn., March 30, 1998

Jean Kemmer

ANGOLA — Jean Kemmer, 71, of Angola, died Saturday at 7 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a homemaker and attended the Angola United Methodist Church.

She was born May 7, 1926, in Toledo, Ohio, to the late William Omar and Alta (Stalter) Steele.

On Jan. 27, 1945, she married Robert F. Kemmerer, who preceded her in death on Oct. 23, 1982.

Surviving are two sons, Craig of Whitehouse of Ohio, and Jeff of Coldwater, Mich.; a brother, Jack Steele of Columbus Grove, Ohio; a sister, Louise Ruth of Lima, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Services immediately follow visitation at 1 p.m., with the Rev. James Butler officiating. Burial will be in Lester Cemetery, Branch County, Mich.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Raymond F. Bobay**, 89, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Elmer L. Smith**, 80, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

KENDALLVILLE — **Charles E. Musselman**, 77, died Sunday. Service at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

LAOTTO — **William Robert Hauenstein**, 75, died Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, 1819 Reservation Drive, Fort Wayne. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne, and one hour before services at the church.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Josephine Dean Beeching**, 76, died Monday. Graveside services at 11 a.m. April 6 in Green Hill Cemetery. No calling.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Rex E. Baker**, 57, died Thursday. Services were today in Columbia City.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Raymond F. Bobay**, 89, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Jessie Marie Lovely**, 69, died Friday. Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Pauline A. Wolfe**, 78, died Sunday. Arrangements are pending in Smith and Sons Funeral Home.

Deaths/Funerals

Lewis Steury

SPENCERVILLE — Lewis Steury, 70, died Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at Auburn.

Mr. Steury was a retired farmer and also retired from Lewis Steury Construction Co. He was a lifelong resident of Allen County.

He was born Nov. 29, 1927, in Allen County.

Surviving are his wife, Melinda Steury of Spencerville; three sons, Melvin and Ed, both of Spencerville, and Leon of St. Joe; three daughters, Pauline Zook of Chesapeake Bay, Va., Linda Ruckman of Butler and Diane Smith of Spencerville; two brothers, Jonas of Pleasant Lake and Ruben of Grabill; one sister, Maggie Schmucker of New Haven; and 16 grandchildren.

One son, Steven, preceded him in death in 1970.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. in Hockemeyer Funeral Home, Harlan.

Services will take place Wednesday at 2 p.m. in North Leo Mennonite Church in Leo. Burial will be in Yaggy Cemetery, Grabill.

Memorial contributions to North Leo Mennonite Church or the Riverdale Youth League are preferred.

Charles Teusch

FORT WAYNE — Charles H. Teusch, 85, of Fort Wayne, died Monday at 12:15 a.m. in Covington Manor.

He was a shaper at Fort Wayne Tailoring Co. for 27 years and retired from the maintenance department at Lincoln Life in 1977. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society.

He was born Sept. 3, 1912, in Huntington to Jacob and Anna (Schaffer) Teusch.

He is survived by his wife, Grace A. Bubb Teusch of Fort Wayne; four sons, Richard L. of Uniondale, Donald C. and James A., both of Fort Wayne; and John L. of Churubusco; a daughter, Karen Ann Graves of Spencerville; a brother, John Teusch of Huntington; 15 grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Mungovan & Sons Memorial Chapel, 2114 S. Calhoun St., Fort Wayne. A rosary service will take place at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

A prayer service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday at Mungovan & Sons, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1910 Hale Ave., Fort Wayne. Father Laurence Tippmann will officiate.

Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be made to Masses.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Pauline A. Wolfe**, 78, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Warsaw, with calling there 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Pauline Lutz

AUBURN — Pauline H. Lutz, 77, died Tuesday at 11:20 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Lutz lived in Auburn and formerly resided in Toledo, Ohio. She was a member of the Auburn Baptist Church, Royal Neighbors, Garrett Historical Society, and the Moose and Eagles lodges in Toledo.

She was born Jan. 21, 1921, in Butler to the late Harry and Alice B. (Konkle) Lower.

She married Ivan C. Lutz on Jan. 22, 1945, in Toledo, and he died in 1994.

Surviving her are one son, Charles A. of Virginia Beach, Va.; one brother, Arnold Lower of Auburn; one sister, Violet Fee of Montgomery, Mich.; nine grandchildren, 16 stepgrandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Gerry DuBry; four sisters, Lillian Lower, Georgia Melchi, Kathryn Ice and her twin, Martha Krick; and a brother, Arlie Lower.

Friends may call Thursday from 5-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Kenny Queener of the Auburn Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Toledo Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Mary Hall

FREMONT — Mary J. Hall, 54, of Fremont, died Monday at 2:25 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hall, a homemaker, was born Feb. 6, 1944, in Hot Springs, Ark., to the late George and Norma Jean (Evans) Wuichet.

On July 3, 1965, she married Adolph Hall, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Bryan Hall of Fremont; three daughters, Kay Lynn, Kathy and Tanya, all of Fremont; four grandchildren, Jordan, Christopher, Jennifer and Austin, all of Fremont; a brother, Bill (and wife, Jo) Wuichet of Hot Springs; and six sisters, Betty McAfee, Carolyn Lawrence, Georgia (and husband, Bill) Kitchins, Florence (and husband, Bo) Bradley, Jeanie (and husband, Jody) Pulley, and Gayle (and husband, Rick) Ketchum, all of Hot Springs.

Friends may call from 4-9 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Donald Rashley officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations to the American Cancer Society are preferred.

Delia Keller

HUDSON — Delia Keller, 77, died Tuesday at 11:40 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Keller, a former Hudson resident, was a member of the Salem Center Presbyterian Church. She retired after 25 years of service as a cook for Prairie Heights Community Schools.

She was born Feb. 2, 1921, in Steuben County to the late Henry and Nellie (Courtright) Parker.

Surviving are a son, Lesley McLain of Auburn; a daughter, Nellie Rodriguez of Monrovia, Calif.; a stepson, John Keller of Edon, Ohio; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence Keller, in 1980.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday in the funeral home with the Rev. Howard G. Compton officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations to the National Parkinson's Foundation are preferred.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Timothy G. Moore**, 41, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, with calling there two hours before services.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Carol L. Bradley**, 69, died Monday. Memorial services at 11 a.m. Friday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there one hour before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Clifford Carnahan

AUBURN — Clifford C. Carnahan, 72, died Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. in his home on County Road 43, Auburn.

He retired from Kraft Foods of Kendallville in 1989 with 26 years of service, and was a Jackson Township farmer. He was a member of the County Line Church of God.

Carnahan

Mr. Carnahan was a former member of the Auburn Fire Department, Jackson Township Advisory Board, Auburn Police Reserve, and Jackson Township Fire Department, where he served as secretary-treasurer for several years.

He was born April 15, 1925, in Jackson Township to the late Ray F. and Ida (Timberlin) Carnahan.

He married Frances Stafford on Oct. 4, 1949, in Hopewell United Brethren Church, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Shirley Kessler, Helen Dickman and Tina Hummer, all of Auburn; four brothers, Ralph and Raymond, both of Auburn, Harry of Grabill and Ray Jr. of Fort Wayne; one sister, Opal Georgi of Fort Wayne, and seven grandchildren, James and Kyle Kessler, Christen, Shawna, Anna and Kassandra Dickman, and Jeremy Hummer.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the County Line Church of God, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Robert Herman will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to Youth For Christ or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Torrence Cheshier

FORT WAYNE — Torrence K. "Tony" Cheshier, 83, of Fort Wayne, died at 2:07 p.m. Tuesday in his home.

He was born in Vandalia, Ill., on Sept. 27, 1914, to Selby Lee and Nellie (Torrence) Cheshier. He and his wife, Irene, were married on June 10, 1944, in Fort Wayne. She survives.

Mr. Cheshier retired in 1979 from Dana Corp. after 34 years. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran and a member of Queen of Angels Catholic Church and American Legion Post 82.

Surviving with his wife are a son, Kenneth L. Cheshier of LaGrange; two daughters, Frances Holladay of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Thomas J. Wiegand of Angola; and six grandchildren.

Prayers will be at 10:15 a.m. Friday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., and Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Queen of Angels Catholic Church, 1500 W. State Blvd., Fort Wayne, with the Rev. John Pfister officiating. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne, with military rites by American Legion Post 82.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home where a wake service will be held at 6 p.m.

Preferred memorials are to Queen of Angels Catholic Church or St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Ferne Bosworth

NEW HAVEN — Ferne A. Bosworth, 85, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born June 30, 1912, in Columbia City to Clinton and Ethel (Sever) Robinette. Her first husband, Dallas Short, preceded her in death in 1957, and her second husband, Eldo Bosworth, died in 1993.

Mrs. Bosworth retired in 1974 after 10 years as a sales clerk and assistant manager of the House of Fabrics — Northcrest.

Surviving are two daughters, Lillian Myers and Karen Kelley, both of Montrose, Colo.; a son, Kenneth Short of New Haven; three sisters, Dorothy Hicks of Auburn, Florence Drudge of Milford, and Bernice Kinsey of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Harold Robinette of Naples, Fla., and Lowell Robinette of Penn Valley, Calif.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by a son, Robert Short.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven, with the Rev. Paul Shoemaker officiating. Burial will be in Troy Cemetery, Larwill.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Emanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Charles M. "Mike" McCormick**, 49, died Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Friday in Albany.

CHURUBUSCO — **Mentor LeVerr Shanabarger**, 96, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Sheets Funeral Home, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., April 3, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Brett Gulick

ASHLEY — Brett Gulick, 16, of rural Ashley, died Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

He was a sophomore at DeKalb High School and was an all-around athlete, playing on the football, basketball and track teams. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, and the church youth group.

Gulick

He was born July 31, 1981, in Auburn to Butch and Susan (Days) Gulick, who survive in Ashley.

Also surviving are two brothers, Jason of Angola and Brad of Ashley; his grandparents, William and Violet Gulick of Hamilton and Pearl Days of Waterloo; aunts and uncles Kay Neuman of Phoenix, Ariz., Tom and Helen Days of Corunna, Jim and Karen Days of Ashley, Dave Days of Corunna, Doug and Karla Days of Angola, Chuck and Jane Moore of Fort Wayne, and Breck and Julie Farver of Corunna; and cousins Holli, Anson, Chad, Beth, Kevin, Brady, Curtis, Toby, Tamy, Stacy, Kristy, Kelly and Brian Days, Taneka and Mike Taylor, Heather, Adam and Kim Moore, and Jacob and Stefanie Farver.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Max Days, his grandmother, Bonnie Gulick, and cousins Danny and Matt Days.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Father David Carkenord officiating.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, and one hour prior to services at the church.

A prayer service will be conducted at 8:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Nora Jane Truman**, 75, died Wednesday. No services or calling.

SHIPSHEWANA —**Kenneth "Junior" Tuggle**, 67, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Bailey-Love Mortuary, Huntington, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., April 4, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Ward Eberley Jr.

ANGOLA — Ward T. Eberley Jr., 79, of Cross Street in Angola, died Friday at 6:02 p.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He retired as maintenance supervisor for Shive Management, Fort Wayne, in 1983 with 15 years' service.

He was born Aug. 6, 1918, in Waterloo to Ward T. Eberley Sr. and Dorothy (Till) Eberley.

He married Betty J. Durst on Jan. 28, 1939, in Fort Wayne and she preceded him in death on Feb. 15, 1992.

He is survived by three sons, Larry of Hilham, Tenn., Mike of Auburn and Stephen of Angola; one sister, Naomi Forrest of Ashley; one brother, Clifford of Hamilton; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

One brother, Mack, preceded him in death.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. John Hostetter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call Monday from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home and one hour prior to services Tuesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association.

Timothy Zehr

SPENCERVILLE — Timothy J. Zehr, 3, of Spencerville, died Wednesday at home.

He is survived by his parents, Joseph and Ida Zehr of Spencerville; two brothers, Joseph and David, both at home; four sisters, Amanda, Maryann, Ida Mae and Laura A., all at home; grandparents, Jacob and Marian Zehr of New Haven and Raymond and Amanda Graber of Grabill.

Services will take place at 9 a.m. today at the Joseph Zehr residence, 16630 Boger Road, Spencerville. Burial will be in Amish Cemetery, Spencerville. Hockemeyer Funeral Home, Harlan, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

ROME CITY — **Lilly Prater**, 70, of Rome City, died Friday at 1:16 a.m. in Vencor Hospital, LaGrange. Funeral services Monday at 11 a.m. in Salem United Baptist Church, State Road 9, near Rome City. Calling today 3-8 p.m. and Sunday 3-8 p.m., at Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, and from 10-11 a.m. Monday at the church.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Clemence J. Miller**, 82, of Shipshewana, died Wednesday in his home. Funeral services 9:30 a.m. today in the Wilbur Lynn Miller home, 8275 W 450 N, Shipshewana. Miller Funeral Home, Middlebury, is in charge of arrangements.

WOODBURN — **Walter A. Webster**, 62, of Woodburn, died Wednesday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Services 11:30 a.m. today at Zion Lutheran Church, Woodburn, with calling one hour before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Harold Mauk

AUBURN — Harold D. Mauk, 81, died Friday in Auburn Health Care Center.

He lived in Auburn and was a trainman and brakeman on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for 30 years, retiring in 1975.

Surviving him are his wife, Estelene; two daughters, Ginger Dettmer of Auburn and Betty Tuggle of Sparta, Tenn.; three grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, four great-grandchildren and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

One daughter, Phyllis Mauk, preceded him in death in 1996.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, with calling after 10 a.m. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, or the Heimach Senior Center, Auburn.

William Zaban

LAFAYETTE — William Zaban, 90, died recently.

He was born Oct. 1, 1907 in Dubrova, Poland, and emigrated to the United States in 1923. He had worked for Midwest Roofing and All Seasons Roofing. He married Pauline Levin in 1936, and she preceded him in death.

Services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the Weinstein Family Service Wilmette Chapel, 111 Skokie Blvd., Wilmette, Ill. Burial will be in Walheim Cemetery-Anshe Knesses Israel in Forest Park, Ill.

Kathleen Hesting

HUNTINGTON — Kathleen A. Hesting, 76, died Sunday at 1:50 a.m. in Norwood Nursing Center, Huntington.

She was a 1939 graduate of Huntington Catholic High School. She worked at Northside Cleaners in Huntington for 13 years, retiring in 1984. She was a member of Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Huntington, and its Altar Rosary Sodality.

Mrs. Hesting was born May 7, 1921, in Huntington County to the late Henry J. and Lena Gelzleichter Scher.

She married Donald E. Hesting on Aug. 2, 1941, in Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church, and he died Nov. 1, 1980.

Surviving her are three daughters, Marilyn (Mrs. Ted) Weaver of Auburn, Sharon, (Mrs. Lee) Double and Nancy (Mrs. James) Buzzard, both of Huntington; four sons, John of Gastonia, N.C., Jerry and Mark, both of Huntington, and David of Mesa, Ariz.; four brothers, George Scher of Fort Wayne, and Robert Scher, Eugene Scher, and Richard Scher, all of Huntington, four sisters, Sister Josephine Scher, SSND, Milwaukee, Wis., Dorothy Stoltz, Marjorie Meyer, and Sue Pfister, all of Huntington; 17 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Three brothers, Earl Scher, Delbert Scher and infant James Scher, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 1-4 and 6-9 p.m. in Hart Funeral Home, Huntington. A rosary service will be conducted Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church, with Father Ron Reider officiating. Burial will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Huntington.

Memorial contributions may be given to Masses or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Charles Miller

WATERLOO — Charles W. Miller, 65, died Saturday at 7:20 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Miller was a machine operator at Auburn Gear for 32 years and lived on North Wayne Street in Waterloo. He was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church and Butler American Legion Post 202.

He was born Dec. 2, 1932, in DeKalb County, to the late Robert and Ethel (Harris) Miller.

He married Ruth Ordway on Oct. 9, 1961, in the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Julie Boman of Auburn, Lori Miller of Butler and Amy Miller of Ashley; three brothers, Robert Allen Miller, Joseph Miller and Alger Miller, all of Butler; three sisters, Joyce Gump of Butler, Redith Goble of Edgerton, Ohio, and Retta Bowditch of Lawton, Mich.; and two grandchildren, Tanner and Mikayla Boman.

One brother and one sister preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Evening Star, Mon. April 6, 1998 (cont'd)

Bonnie Thomas

COLDWATER, Mich. — Bonnie L. Thomas, 56, died Friday at her Coldwater, Mich., home after a long illness.

She formerly lived in Fremont, and lived most of her life in Branch County, Mich. She was employed by Clevite Industries in Angola for 16 years in quality control and was a homemaker. She was a 1959 graduate of Coldwater High School.

Mrs. Thomas was born June 7, 1941, in Liberty Township, Jackson County, Mich., to Max and Wilma (Hand) Cramer. They survive in Coldwater.

She married Evan Thomas on May 6, 1960, in Coldwater, and he survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Jeff, Danny and Douglas, all of Coldwater; and daughter-in-law, Beverly; one sister, Lillian Heator of Coldwater, and one grandson, Jeremy Thomas of Coldwater.

Friends may call Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. (Indiana time) at Dutcher Funeral Home, Coldwater.

A service celebrating her life will take place Wednesday at 4 p.m. (Indiana time) at the funeral home.

The family suggests planting a tree in her memory.

Keith Hanna

ANGOLA — Keith D. Hanna, 84, of Angola, died Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Hanna was a farmer and retired in 1979. He was a member of the Angola Church of Christ.

He was born March 8, 1914, in Steuben County to the late Waldo and Bertha (Berlien) Hanna.

On Nov. 24, 1938, he married Mildred (Rozell) Hanna, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a daughter, Janet Klink of Angola; a brother, Willis Hanna of Angola; and a grandchild, Jenifer Klink-Fee of Angola.

Services were conducted Sunday at Klink Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial was in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations to the Angola Church of Christ are preferred.

Area Deaths

TOPEKA — **Mary Jane Seagly**, 101, died Friday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Ligonier Presbyterian Church, with visitation there 4-7 p.m. Tuesday.

LIGONIER — **Donald "Doc" Castetter**, 86, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Wawaka Church of the Brethren, Wawaka, with calling 2-8 p.m. Tuesday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

Deaths/Funerals

M. Yvonne Hunter

GARRETT — M. Yvonne Hunter, 81, died Monday at 11:15 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Hunter had worked in the J.E. Ober Elementary School cafeteria for many years. She lived on South Randolph Street in Garrett, and was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church. She was a life member of Sigma Phi Gamma Sorority in Garrett.

She was born Sept. 16, 1916, in Garrett to the late Dan and Jeannette Weaver.

She married Lyle C. Hunter on Sept. 25, 1935, in Garrett and he died Nov. 3, 1988.

Surviving her are two daughters and sons-in-law, Peggy and Rodger Flagg of Annadale, Va., and Sherri and Jerry Smith of Hamilton Lake; four grandchildren, Jon T. Smith and Beth Enyeart, and Chris and Tim Flagg, and two foster grandsons, Jim and Charlie Sanders.

One brother, Richard Weaver, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 10 a.m., with R. Larry Smith officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Garrett United Methodist Church.

James Laisure

CHURUBUSCO — James Eugene Laisure, 77, of rural Churubusco in Allen County, died Saturday morning in Trinity Mother Francis Hospital in Tyler, Texas, where he had been a patient two weeks.

He was born in Wolcottville on June 12, 1920, to Ralph L. and Mary P. (Harmon) Laisure. On Aug. 17, 1949, he married Miriam Berger in Ossian. She survives.

Mr. Laisure, who spent most of his formative years in Allen County, served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He had lived in the Waynedale area before moving to Eel River Township, east of Churubusco, in the early 1970s. He had been employed by Slater Steel Corp. in Fort Wayne for 30 years, retiring in 1983. Since 1989, he and his wife have spent the winter months in Zapata, Texas. He was a member of the Fort Wayne Street Rod Club and the Street Rod National Organization.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Ed (Sharon) Smith of Fort Wayne; a son and daughter-in-law, David and Cheryl Laisure of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Wayne Laisure of New Haven and Wendell Laisure of Indianapolis; a sister, Mrs. Gordon (Mary) Willms of Orland; 14 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, James Laisure Jr., and three brothers, Ralph Laisure Jr., Walter Laisure and Don Laisure.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with the Rev. Robert McNary, pastor of Beacon Light Chapel, officiating. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Lung Association.

Verda Reed

ASHLEY — Verda Reed, 67, of Ashley, died at 12:55 p.m. Monday in her residence.

She was born in Hazard, Ky., Jan. 26, 1931, to Pearl and Matoaka (Roberts) Bowling. On June 27, 1967, in Wise, Va., she married Claude E. Reed. He preceded her in death Nov. 7, 1994.

Mrs. Reed had lived in the Ashley-Hudson area 30 years and was employed by Ashley Products for 16 years. She attended Independent Full Gospel Church in Ashley.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Chester and Pauline Brown of rural Ashley; a sister, Gracie Shepherd of Cornettsville, Ky.; two granddaughters, Robin Wilson and Jeri Sanders; and two great-grandsons, Dustin Pennington and Chandler Wilson.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Sam Weimer officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 6-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Wed., April 8, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Gale Benner

AUBURN — Gale Willard Benner, 67, died Tuesday at 10 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He retired in 1991 with 39 years of service as an engineer for CSX (formerly Baltimore & Ohio) Railroad. He was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Army and a recipient of a Purple Heart. He lived in Auburn and was a lifelong resident of DeKalb County.

Mr. Benner was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn, DeKalb Lodge 214, F.&A.M., Scottish Rite, Mizpah Shriners, Disabled American Veterans and the Garrett post of the American Legion.

He was born June 9, 1930, in Newville to the late Horace A. and Fern I. (Tarney) Benner.

He married Donna J. Parker on Oct. 15, 1949, and she survives.

Also surviving him are four sons, Victor G. of Fort Wayne, Roderick D. of Denver, Bradford B. of Auburn and Michael C. of Columbus, Ind.; one brother, Neal of Indianapolis; three sisters, Florence, Dixie and Jane; and seven grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Friday at 4 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Donovan Coley Sr. and the Rev. Karen Koelsch will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First United Methodist Church.

Mary Thomas

GARRETT — Mary L. Thomas, 73, died Monday at 4:26 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett, where she had lived two years.

Mrs. Thomas was a homemaker and formerly lived on South Peters Street in Garrett. She was a member of the Lighthouse Assembly of God Church, Garrett.

She was born July 31, 1924, in Harriman, Tenn., to the late Dewey and Pearly (Isham) Pressley.

She married Hubert C. Thomas in 1944, and he died Aug. 1, 1985.

Surviving her are one daughter, Juanita Plimpton of Garrett; three brothers, Chester Pressley, Robert Pressley and Jimmy Pressley, all of Harriman; one sister, Wilma Kinney of Harriman; three grandsons, Rick Zolman of Churubusco, and Steve Zolman and Scott Zolman, both of Garrett; one granddaughter, Diane Riccius of Auburn; and eight great-grandchildren.

One son, Charles E. Thomas, and one grandson preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor John A. Karn of the Lighthouse Assembly of God Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or the charity of the donor's choice.

Dolores Randol

HAMILTON — Dolores Randol, 72, died this morning at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Walter Allen

HUNTERTOWN — Walter E. Allen, 84, died Monday at 11:10 p.m. in Willow Ridge Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, where he had resided 17 days.

He formerly lived at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett for five years, and was an Auburn resident before moving to Huntertown.

He was a former owner of Allen's Drive-In, Walt's Grill and Bus Stop, and a bowling alley, all in Auburn. He was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of Christ, Leo.

Mr. Allen was born July 4, 1913, in Columbia City to the late Charles S. and Anna (Wahl) Allen.

Surviving him are one son, Gregory S. of Everett, Wash.; two daughters, Marsha K. Hedges of Huntertown and Cathy L. Hess of Churubusco; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

One son, Steven M., and one brother, Robert, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will take place Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Brother Ron Collins of the Cedar Creek Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Diabetes Association.

Evening Star, Ind. April 8, 1998 (cont'd)

Merl Moss

ALBION — Merl W. Moss, 80, died Monday at 5:30 p.m. at The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler following an extended illness.

He served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. A conservation officer, he served with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Enforcement Division for over 32 years, retiring in 1981 as sergeant of Region 3. He was a member of Good News Baptist Church in Churubusco.

He grew up in the Leo and Garrett areas and spent most of his adult life in Allen County, moving from Huntertown to Williams Lake near Albion 15 years ago.

Mr. Moss was born Jan. 15, 1918, in New Haven to the late George and Ruth (Lance) Moss. His wife, Jayne (Knafel) Disler Moss, died Dec. 12, 1997.

Surviving him are two sons, Michael of Fort Wayne and Max of Harlan; a stepson, Dennis Disler of Huntertown; a sister, Jane Amstutz of Harlan; two grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Edward J. Thompson, pastor of Good News Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will take place in Eel River Cemetery, south of Churubusco.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Indiana Conservation Officer's Youth Camp, in care of Bill Bevill, 9645 N 75 W, Westport IN 47283.

Minnie Beaty

MUNCIE — Minnie Beaty, 92, died Tuesday morning at Muncie Health and Rehabilitation Center after a long illness.

She worked for Ball Store for 17 years before retiring. She was a member of Gethsemane United Methodist Church and Keen-Agers ladies group at the church. She was born in Albany, Ky., attended schools there, and moved to Muncie as a young adult.

Surviving are three daughters, Flonnie M. Toll of Garrett, Mary Ruth Buschor of Muncie, and Rebecca Jean Sims of Monticello; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sidney Beaty in 1954, twin infant sons and two sisters.

Services will take place Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in Meeks Mortuary Chapel, with calling after 12:30 p.m. Burial will follow in Elm Ridge Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Gethsemane United Methodist Church.

William Pearse

HOUSTON — William C. "Bill" Pearse, 52, died March 12 in Houston.

Mr. Pearse worked in visual merchandising display in department stores in Fort Wayne, Chicago, Fresno, Calif., and Jackson, Mich. He moved to Houston in 1980 and worked as a freelance agent for his business, "Pearse Ave." He joined Basic Brothers men's clothing in 1987 and became vice president before leaving in 1996 because of ill health.

He was a 1963 graduate of Auburn High School and later attended Indiana University and Tyler College in Tyler, Texas.

He was born Dec. 24, 1945, in Auburn. His mother and stepfather, Margaret and Fred Ornelas, survive in Henderson, Nev. His father, Roland C. Pearse, is deceased.

He is survived by two brothers, Ronald Thomas of Carney Point, N.J., and David L. Pearse of Auburn, two nephews and two nieces.

Funeral services took place in Houston. Burial will be at a later date in Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to American Legion Post 97 building fund, P.O. Box 650, Auburn IN 46706.

Emma Schulthess

ANGOLA — Emma Schulthess, 84, of Angola, died Monday at 11:19 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Schultess was a retired employee of Harman Dress Shop in Fremont.

She was born June 4, 1913, in Steuben County to the late Jay and Daisy (Stout) Denman.

Surviving are a daughter, Janet Barany of Garrett; two sons, Don Adams of Ossian and John Adams of Chicago; three sisters, Opal Kline of Kendallville, Wava Mettert of Angola, and Ruby Hess of Muncie; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Bill Dellinger in 1962, and her second husband, Vernon Schulthess in 1992.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home with Dr. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **John N. Lewellyn**, 30, died Sunday at home. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

LAGRANGE — **H. Dean Johnson**, 62, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

LAOTTO — **Everett O. Harris**, 82, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Good New Baptist Church, Churubusco. Calling 2-8 p.m. Thursday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church on Friday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., April 9, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Earlena Bender

AUBURN — Earlena H. Bender, 79, died Wednesday at 2:04 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Bender was a homemaker and had lived in Auburn since 1957. She was a graduate of New Haven High School. She was a member of Leo United Methodist Church and its United Methodist Women.

She was born Jan. 18, 1919, in New Haven to the late August and Emma (Ehle) Hockemeyer.

She married William J. Bender on Nov. 9, 1940, in Woodburn, and he survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Lynn C. of Hilton Head, S.C., Richard W. of Valparaiso, and Barry L. of Auburn; one daughter, Ireta J. Kramer of Battle Ground, Ind.; three brothers, Elson Hockemeyer of Reinbeck, Iowa, and Ross Hockemeyer and Richard Hockemeyer, both of New Haven; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in Leo United Methodist Church, 13527 Leo Road, Leo, with calling after 9 a.m. The Rev. Jean Brindel and the Rev. Ross Cook will officiate. Burial will take place in Leo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Lakewood Park Christian School or the Leo United Methodist Women.

Sharon Bacon

AUBURN — Sharon T. Bacon, 43, died Tuesday at 8:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Bacon was a material manager at SCP Inc., Auburn, and was a member of the Church of the Cornerstone. She had lived in Auburn for 15 years, and formerly lived in California.

She was born Oct. 24, 1954, in Los Angeles, Calif., to Jesse H. and Mildred (Roney) Turner. They survive in Auburn.

She married C. Randy Bacon on Aug. 4, 1972, in Riverside, Calif., and he survives.

Also surviving her are one daughter, Anna Belle S. Bacon, at home; two brothers, Paul J. Turner of Baton Rouge, La., and William A. Turner of Brookville, Ohio; and one sister, Marilyn A. Butler of Auburn.

Friends may call Friday from 4-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dean Woolard, pastor of the Church of the Cornerstone, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Church of the Cornerstone school project.

E. Jean Cross

ANGOLA — E. Jean Cross, 67, of Angola, died at 6:05 p.m. Wednesday at her home.

Mrs. Cross, a homemaker, was a member of the Presbyterian Chapel of the Lakes in Steuben County and the church choir. She had lived in Steuben County since 1986 after moving from Fort Wayne.

She was born Oct. 3, 1930, in Huntington County to the late Orvan and Susan (Shutt) Hart.

On Jan. 7, 1949, she married Paul E. Cross, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Alan Cross of Fort Wayne; a daughter, Kimberly Shreve of Fort Wayne; four brothers, Earl Hart of Marion, Lewis Hart of Hendersonville, N.C., her twin J. Dean Hart of Marion, and Robert Hart of Huntington; and nine grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Judy Englert in 1987; two brothers, William Hart and Lawrence Hart; and two sisters, Delores Stech and Alice Hart.

Services will begin at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Presbyterian Chapel of the Lakes, Steuben County, with the Rev. Tom Smith officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the Presbyterian Chapel of the Lakes and Cameron Hospice.

(Evening Star, Thurs. April 9, 1998 cont'd)

Ina Mae Muncie

HUNTERTOWN — Ina Mae Muncie, 72, of Huntertown died today at 1 a.m. at her home.

Mrs. Muncie had been a resident of Huntertown for 39 years. She was a nursing assistant at the Byron Health Center for 12 years, retiring in 1987.

She was born in Hazard, Ky. She was married to Willard Muncie, who preceded her in death in 1977.

Also preceding her in death was a daughter, Eura Ann Bunch, in 1982.

Surviving are three daughters, Karen Kirkpatrick of Auburn, and Reva Smith and Linda Gordon, both of Fort Wayne; three sons, Eddy of Huntertown, and Mike and Bill, both of Fort Wayne; one sister, Kathleen Emery of Eufuala, Ala.; 26 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at C.M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home, 1327 N. Wells St., Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 12:30 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in the Huntertown Cemetery.

Memorial donations to Visiting Nurses and Hospice Inc. are preferred.

Dolores Randol

HAMILTON — Dolores Randol, 72, died Wednesday morning at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Randol lived on Lane 220, Hamilton Lake, and worked at Pittsfield in Hamilton. She was a member of the Church of Christ and Fish & Game Club.

She was born Dec. 22, 1925, in Metz to the late Harvey and Daisy Lechleidner.

She married Amos N. Randol on June 17, 1950, in LaGrange and he died Sept. 12, 1997.

Surviving her are one son, Bruce Button of Hamilton; one daughter, Pat (Mrs. Dan) Dillon of Edon, Ohio; one sister, Joan Hanshaw of Hudson, Mich.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Stanley Button, five brothers and one sister.

Friends may call Friday from 5-8 p.m. at Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with David Payne officiating. Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions to the Hamilton Fire Department and the Church of Christ are preferred.

Fay Robinson

MASON, Mich. — Fay M. Robinson, 88, died Wednesday in Mason, Mich.

She was born April 19, 1909, in Gratiot County, Mich.

Surviving her are one daughter, Yvonne (Mrs. John) Frye of Garrett, one brother, one sister, 11 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 1-3 and 5-8 p.m. (Indiana time) at Gorseline-Runciman Co. Ball-Dunn Chapel, 621 S. Jefferson St., Mason.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 9:30 a.m. (Indiana time) at Mason First Church of the Nazarene, 415 E. Maple St., Mason. The Rev. John Frye, the Rev. James Brown and the Rev. Dean Carmoney will officiate. Burial will be in Hawley Cemetery, Mason.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church for missions.

The Evening Star, Fri., April 10, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Judith Kistler

PLEASANT LAKE — Judith A. Kistler, 53, died Thursday at 5:30 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Kistler was an independent milk hauler, serving DeKalb and Steuben county farmers for 20 years. She also worked at Magnavox in Columbia City and Garrett for 10 years.

She was born April 6, 1945, in Auburn to William and Sylvia (Curry) Wells. Her mother survives in Pleasant Lake and her father is deceased.

She married Jerry Kistler on March 13, 1993, in Butler, and he survives.

Also surviving are three stepsons, Jeffrey L. of Kendallville, Joel L. of Auburn and Jon L. of Garrett; one stepdaughter, Jeanine Miller of Butler; one brother, Lewis Wells of Pleasant Lake; three sisters, Betty Wells of Pleasant Lake, Berniece Jackson of Hudson, and Virginia Freeman of Auburn; 14 stepgrandchildren, one stepgreat-granddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after noon. The Rev. Dean Snyder will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Marion "Gary" Garrison**, 72, of Blue Lake near Churubusco, died unexpectedly at 1:22 a.m. Thursday at his residence. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco. Calling is from 2 to 4

MONROEVILLE — **Kenneth R. Coyne**, 55, died Tuesday at Parkview Hospital. Prayers services at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel, Monroeville, followed by a funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Rose Catholic Church, Monroeville. Calling from 1 to 9 p.m. Monday at the funeral home, with a rosary service at 8 p.m.

Deaths/Funerals

Clifford Malhoit

ANGOLA — Clifford L. Malhoit, 79, of Angola, died Thursday at 10:02 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Malhoit worked for Jeep Corp. in Toledo, Ohio, as a painter, retiring in 1981 after 33 years of service. He also served as a corporal in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was born Jan. 15, 1919, in Erie, Ill., to the late Mr. and Mrs. Lee Malhoit.

He was married Feb. 14, 1979, and his wife, Thelma, survives him.

Also surviving are two sons, Clifford J. and Thomas Malhoit, both of Toledo, Ohio; two daughters, Sharon Logan of Warner Robbins, Ga., and Sandra Lewandowski of Toledo; one stepson, Robert Kischkau of Toledo; one stepdaughter, Madeline Albach of Madisonville; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Monday from 4-7 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola. Services follow visitation in the funeral home at 7 p.m., with the Rev. Thomas Smith officiating.

Burial will be in Fort Custer National Cemetery in Battle Creek, Mich., Tuesday at 11 a.m.

Memorial donations to the American Heart Association are preferred.

Irene Scott

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Irene C. Scott, 80, of Hicksville, died early Thursday evening at her home.

Mrs. Scott retired from Weatherhead-Dana Corp. in Antwerp, Ohio, in 1981, after more than 30 years of service.

She graduated from Mark Center High School in 1936.

She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Hicksville and the Altar and Rosary Society; a charter member of the Hicksville Eagles Auxiliary; a volunteer worker at Hicksville Memorial Community Hospital; and a member of The Kitchen Band and Dana Retirement.

She was born Feb. 25, 1918 at Mark Center, the daughter of Martin and Anna Breidenbaugh Arend.

She married C.M. Scott, who died Sept. 19, 1986.

Surviving are two sons, Ray "Gene" Scott of Butler and Jerry Scott of Hicksville, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Clarence; two sisters, Mary Wonderly and Vera Essley; four brothers, John, Willis, Raymond and Norbert Arend; and one great-granddaughter, in addition to her husband.

A funeral Mass will take place Tuesday at 9 a.m. (Indiana time) in St. Michael's Catholic Church at Hicksville. The Rev. Thomas E. Oedy will officiate.

A prayer service will begin at 7 p.m. (Indiana time) Monday in Brown Funeral Home of Hicksville, after a Hicksville Eagles Auxiliary service at 6 p.m.

Burial will be in Six Corners Cemetery at Hicksville.

Memorial donations to St. Michael's Catholic Church are preferred.

Evelyn Young

KENDALLVILLE — Evelyn (Parr) Young, 83, died Friday at 7:25 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health for nine years.

Mrs. Young worked at Monsanto Co. in Ligonier, retiring in 1978. She was baptized at Trinity United Methodist Church. She was a member of the Ladies of the Moose Lodge 1301, Kendallville, and the VFW Ladies Auxilliary Post 1892, Garrett.

Mrs. Young was born Sept. 3, 1914, in Helmer to Charles E. and Katherine (Hovarter) Parr.

In December 1955, she married Robert E. Young in Michigan. He preceded her in death on Feb. 3, 1990.

She is survived by a stepdaughter, Mrs. Steven (Rita) Kemerly of LaOtto; two sisters, Mrs. Ralph (Genevieve) Hasselman of Kendallville and Mrs. Robert (Metta Jean) Jacquay of New Haven; two brothers, Gladwin Parr of Auburn and Burdette Parr of Kendallville; two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were two sisters, Armetta and Margaret; and one brother, Faye.

Friends may call Monday at 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville.

Services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Dr. Dan Barker and the Rev. Dan Foster officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery, Corunna.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Evening Star, Sat. April 11, 1998 (cont'd)

Louise Parr

STROH — Louise F. Parr, 80, a lifelong resident of Stroh, died Friday at 11:27 a.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mrs. Parr was a homemaker and a 50-year member of the Salem Center Study Club. She graduated from Salem Center High School in 1935, and later graduated from Tri State College with a degree in business administration. She was a member and part-time organist of the Stroh Church of Christ.

She was born May 17, 1917, in Kenton, Ohio, to Brown and Lena (Conklin) DeGraw.

One Feb. 17, 1940, she married Elwood L. Parr in Salem Center. He preceded her in death on Feb. 12, 1994.

A brother, Frank DeGraw, also preceded her in death.

Mrs. Parr is survived by four sons, Gaylord R. Parr of Orland, Gordon E. Parr of Stroh, Rodney L. Parr of Hastings, Mich., and Richard B. Parr of Pittsboro, N.C.; two sisters, Dorothy Langley of Wayland, Mich., and Mary Lou Bull of Tekoa, Wash.; 10 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday at 4-7 p.m. at Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson.

Services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, with Robert Kirkland officiating. Burial will be in Wright Cemetery in rural Hudson.

Preferred memorials are to the Stroh Church of Christ.

Fletcher Williams

MARION — Fletcher K. Williams, 65, of Marion, died Friday at 12:45 a.m. in Marion General Hospital.

Mr. Williams had been a resident of Marion since 1973.

He was born Oct. 22, 1932, in Anderson, to Robert and Celeste (King) Williams.

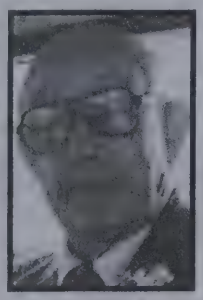
Mr. Williams is survived by a sister Sally (William) Horan of Cromwell; two brothers, Robert Williams of New Haven and Steven Williams of Syracuse.

Mr. Williams will be cremated; there will be no calling or funeral services. Arrangements are being made at Eastland Harris Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse.

Deaths/Funerals

Vernon Ned McIntosh

WATERLOO — Vernon Ned McIntosh, 83, died Sunday at 5:03 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.


McIntosh

Mr. McIntosh lived on South Wayne Street in Waterloo. He taught fifth grade at Waterloo Junior High School from 1937 to 1963. He was the guidance director at Waterloo High School for two years and the principal for Waterloo high school and grade school from 1965 to 1967. He served as principal of Waterloo Elementary School from 1967-68.

He coached sixth-grade basketball for six years and junior high basketball for 29 years. He was assistant varsity baseball and track coach for Waterloo High School for 29 years, and assisted with the track program at DeKalb High School for many years. He was a former guidance counselor and a member of the Retired Teachers Association.

He served on the Waterloo Library Board for 12 years and the Waterloo Cemetery Board for 10 years. He was a former member and past president of the Waterloo Lions Club, and a former Boy Scout leader. He was a member and Sunday School superintendent of the former Waterloo Methodist Church, and was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

He graduated from Waterloo High School and earned a bachelor of science degree from Manchester College in 1947. He received a master of science degree from Indiana University and a degree in guidance from Saint Francis College.

He was born Oct. 2, 1914, in Waterloo to the late Ford and Maude (Smith) McIntosh.

He married Margaret Ann Wisner on Oct. 11, 1941, in Russiaville, Ind., and she survives.

Also surviving him are one daughter, Ann Garrett of Waterloo; two brothers, Wilmer of Sterling Heights, Mich., and Richard of Madison, Wis.; one sister, Doris Everetts of Hamilton; and two grandchildren, Jesse and Mackenzie Garrett.

Three brothers, Brandford, Ronald and Arling, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Waterloo United Methodist Church. The Rev. John Hostetter will officiate. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Naoma Wortkoetter

MONTPELIER, Ohio — Naoma Orpha Wortkoetter, 88, died Sunday morning at Community Hospitals of Williams County in Bryan, Ohio.

She worked at The Ohio Art Co. for many years and was the secretary and bookkeeper for the Wortkoetter Gravel Co. until she retired in 1974. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Montpelier, Sodom Grange, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2489 Ladies Auxiliary and the Comfort Club. She served on the Williams County board of elections.

Mrs. Wortkoetter was born Feb. 28, 1910, in Farmer Township, Defiance County, Ohio, to the late George Frank and Orpha (Ensign) Mason.

She married Vincent Henry Wortkoetter on Nov. 9, 1935, in Blakeslee, Ohio, and he died Jan. 18, 1998.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Alpheus, R.T., Lowell and Oren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral home, Bryan. A scripture service will begin Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.

A Mass of the Resurrection will take place Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Montpelier, with Father Fred Duschl officiating. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Blakeslee.

Hans Geeraedts

BUTLER — Hans Geeraedts, 76, died Saturday at 5:24 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Geeraedts retired in 1986 as superintendent of Tri-Wall Corp., Butler. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, and lived in Butler.

He was born Sept. 11, 1921, in Arnhem, The Netherlands, to the late Johannes and Quirina (Houberg) Geeraedts.

He married Winnie van den Ham on Feb. 5, 1947, in Elst, The Netherlands, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Hansi and Pim, both of Butler; one daughter, Tita Gordon of Angola; and seven grandchildren.

One brother, Tony, and one sister, Margaret Krebbers, preceded him in death.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, with Father James Rose officiating. Burial will take place in the St. Michael's church cemetery. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Hans Geeraedts Scholarship Fund.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Alexis McGraw

HUDSON — Infant Alexis Marie DeGraw died Sunday at 2:15 p.m., after her birth earlier on Sunday.

Surviving are her parents, Jilyan J. Snyder and Delbert "Joseph" DeGraw; her grandparents, Jacqui Rendeiro of Hudson, Penny Curral of Hudson, Lance Snyder of Butler and John Curral of Hudson; her great-grandparents, Beatrice Snyder of Butler, Donald Girardot of Butler, and Daisy Snyder of Fremont; and a great-great-grandmother, Addie Farrington of Butler.

A graveside service will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Hamilton Cemetery, with the Rev. Jason Edwards of the Assembly of God Church in Butler officiating. There will be no calling.

McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Mon. April 13, 1998 (cont'd)

Gerald Kimes

ANGOLA — Gerald G. Kimes, 74, of Angola, died at 9:30 p.m. Saturday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Kimes, a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, lived in Angola for 40 years. He worked as a set-up man at Dana Weatherhead in Angola for 39 years, retiring in 1990. He was a member of the Orland American Legion Post 423; VFW George Anspaugh Post; UAW Local 1406; and the Angola Moose Lodge.

He was born March 7, 1924, in Pennsylvania to the late Charles E. and Viola Mae (Hay) Kimes.

On March 7, 1975, he married Lottie (Reeder) Kimes, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Gerald L. Kimes of Sturgis, Mich., and Michael Norman Kimes of Miami, Fla.; three brothers, Blaine Kimes of Leesburg, Fla., Virgil Kimes of Auburn, and Bernard Kimes of Fort Wayne; a sister, Kathryn McEwen of Leesburg, Fla.; five grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and nine step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles and Richard Kimes; a sister, Margaret Sessions; and a step-daughter, Sharon Knepp.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. A military graveside service will be conducted by the VFW George Anspaugh Post at Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

Anna Hashu

ANGOLA — Anna Pauline Hashu, 82, of Angola, died Friday at 10:30 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hashu, a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, lived in Angola for 18 years, after moving from Hammond in 1980. She had worked as a meat wrapper at Burger's Supermarket in Hammond.

She was born Aug. 2, 1915, in Hammond to the late Benjamin and Agnes (Siberneack) DeBold.

On July 10, 1936, she married George Hashu Sr., who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, George Hashu Jr. of Angola, and William Hashu of Hammond; a daughter, Barbara Zinninger of Monroeville, Ohio; a sister, Margaret Holsclaw of Alabama; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Joseph, Frank, William and George DeBold; and two sisters, Agnes DeBold and Mary Grunwald.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today with a 6:30 p.m. prayer service at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 10 a.m. Tuesday in St. Anthony Catholic Church, Angola. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, Steuben County.

Gary Rumsey

ORLAND — Gary L. Rumsey, 54, of Orland, died Friday at 6:20 p.m. at his residence.

Mr. Rumsey was a farmer. He was born Nov. 25, 1943, in Orland to the late Howard L. and Katherine A. (Penix) Rumsey.

On Jan. 8, 1978, he married Diana L. (Madden) Rumsey, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Jill A. (and husband, Van) Barroquillo of Wolcottville, and Denise R. (and husband, Paul) Northrup of Orland; two sons, Douglas (and wife, Cheryle) Gerig of Auburn; and Gary (and wife, Tammy) Rumsey Jr. of Milwaukee; four grandchildren, Tiffany and Austin Northrup, and Kassie and Travis Barroquillo; two brothers, Guy (and wife, Susie) Rumsey of Bedford, and Donnie (and wife, Diana) Rumsey of Orland; and two sisters, Anita (and husband, Trees) Jackson of Fremont, and Kathy (and husband, William) McClish of Fort Wayne.

Friends may call from 3-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will being at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Gordon Smith officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

Memorial donations to Cameron Home Health Care and Hospice and the Steuben County Cancer Society are preferred.

Deaths/Funerals

Alexus DeGraw

HUDSON — Infant Alexus Marie DeGraw died Sunday at 2:15 p.m., after her birth earlier on Sunday.

Surviving are her parents, Jilyan J. Snyder and Delbert "Joseph" DeGraw; her grandparents, Jacqi Rendeiro of Hudson, Penny Curral of Hudson, Lance Snyder of Butler and John Curral of Hudson; her great-grandparents, Beatrice Snyder of Butler, Donald and Lois Girardot of Butler, and Daisy Snyder of Fremont; and a great-great-grandmother, Addie Farrington of Butler.

A graveside service was conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Hamilton Cemetery, with the Rev. Jason Edwards of the Assembly of God Church in Butler officiating.

McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, was in charge of arrangements.

Carl Chester

ROME CITY — Carl E. Chester, 87, of Rome City, died Friday evening in his home.

He was born in Allen County Oct. 16, 1910, to Fred and Ethel Pearl (Cummins) Chester. On Nov. 8, 1941, in Fort Wayne, he married Margaret E. Parrot. She preceded him in death Feb. 14, 1973.

Mr. Chester, a resident of this area since 1955, was an enamel operator for Rea Magnet Wire in Fort Wayne for 32 years. He retired in 1975. He was a member of Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church.

He assisted in the building of the Auburn Automobile Co. headquarters, which now is the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum in Auburn.

Surviving are two daughters and sons-in-law, Barb and Don Cassel of Wolcottville, and Bev and Wade Castator of Waterloo; a son and daughter-in-law, Norbert "Nick" and Sue Chester of Rome City; a sister, Myra Timbrook of Grabill; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with the Rev. Richard Frederick officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church.

Sandra Long

KENDALLVILLE — Sandra Lee Long, 56, of Kendallville, died at 6:35 p.m. Sunday in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home following a lengthy illness.

She was born July 22, 1941, in Green Township, Noble County, to Edgar R. and Mae (Addis) Long. Her parents survive in Kendallville.

Ms. Long, a lifetime area resident, was a graduate of Kendallville High School. She retired Feb. 28, 1994, after 15 years as a machine operator at Eaton Corp.

Surviving with her parents are two daughters and sons-in-law, Stacy and David Wickline and Beth and Gillford Patrick Jr., all of Kendallville; a son and daughter-in-law, James A. and Teresa VanAuken of Ligonier; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Sharon and Daryl Bell of Skinner Lake, and Marcella Jean of Kendallville; a brother, Edgar E. Long of LaOtto; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. David Michael of Huntertown United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association or the American Diabetic Association.

FORT WAYNE — **David L. Cox**, 63, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 8669 Auburn Road. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral. Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, and one hour before services at the church on Thursday.

The Evening Star, Wed., April 15, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Howard Lemper

WHISPERING PINES, N.C. — Howard Charles "Bud" Lemper, 76, died Tuesday afternoon at Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst, N.C.

Mr. Lemper served as plant manager for Dana Corp. in Auburn for six years. He was a past president of the Chamber of Commerce, past president of the United Way, and a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers and St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Southern Pines, N.C. He retired from Dana in 1972 after 30 years of service, due to illness.

He was born Feb. 19, 1922, in Avilla to the late Henry and Henrietta Lemper.

He married Betty M. Freeman on Jan. 30, 1943, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are a son, Phil Lemper of Garrett; two daughters, Carole Lemper of Greensboro, N.C., and Barbara Wesner of Whispering Pines; three sisters, Helen Close, Delores Ferrell and Lucille Weimer; a brother, Herman Lemper; six grandchildren, Matt, Scott and Brooke Wesner, Beth Riffe, Phil Lemper Jr. and Tim Lemper; and five great-grandchildren.

Three brothers preceded him in death.

Arrangements are pending at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Martha Couey

TAMPA, Fla. — Martha E. Couey, 73, died recently in Tampa Memorial Hospital.

She had retired from Dollar-Rent-A-Car in 1992 and resided in Tampa.

Miss Couey was born May 26, 1924, in Monroeville, Allen County, to the late John H. and Flossie A. (Dawson) Couey.

Surviving her are a brother, John E. Couey of Auburn, two nieces and two nephews.

Two sisters, Viola R. and D. Maxine, and a brother, James W., preceded her in death.

A graveside memorial service will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. at the family plot in Monroeville Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice or Woodburn Christian Children's Home, 24902 Notestine Road, Woodburn IN 46797.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of local arrangements.

Deaths/Funerals

Naomi Roark

ANGOLA — Naomi L. Roark, 66, of Angola, died Wednesday at 9:20 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was employed as a laborer at E.M.F. Corp. in Angola.

She was born July 15, 1931, in Buckhannon, W. Va., to Henry V. and Neva N. (Lahman) Lawson.

On March 24, 1949, she married David Roark in Marion, Va. He survives in Angola.

Also surviving are two daughters, Patricia Clemons of Garrett and Mrs. Lynn (Danial) Johnsonbaugh of Hicksville, Ohio; three sons, Henry Roark (and wife Teresa) of Angola, William Roark (and wife Janet) of Auburn and James Roark of Angola; one brother, Marvin Lawson of Butler; five sisters, Sonya Wainscott and Rhoda Cole, both of Angola, Jean Faulkner of Waterloo, Nancy Riley of West Virginia, and Virginia Jones of Spencer; 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call Friday from 5-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Marjorie Rentz

FORT WAYNE — Marjorie E. Rentz, 90, died Sunday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a florist in Decatur for 30 years, retiring in 1952.

She was born Oct. 28, 1907, in Peru, Ind. Her husband, George Rentz, died in 1989.

Surviving her are three daughters, Anita Kinzer of Auburn, and Jane Miller and Mary Hunt, both of Fort Wayne.

A service will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in Lutheran Homes Chapel, 6701 S. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne.

Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Homes, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Ralph Thobe

ANGOLA — Ralph C. Thobe, 81, of Angola, died Tuesday at 3:43 p.m.in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Thobe worked 32 years as a lineman for Northern Indiana Public Service Co., retiring in 1978. A 1937 Angola High School graduate, he served with the U.S. Army in World War II.

He was a member of the Angola United Methodist Church; Angola American Legion Post 31; the Veterans of Foreign Wars-George Anspaugh Post 7205; the Angola Moose Lodge; the United Steelworkers of America Local 12775; the NIPSCO Retirees; and Nightcrawlers.

He was born March 17, 1917, in Toledo, Ohio, to the late Joseph H. and Gladys (Micham) Thobe.

On Dec. 21, 1946, he married June Gibbons, who survives at home.

Also surviving are three daughters, Linda Anne Teeter of Kalamazoo, Mich., Judith Kay Goodman of Rockford, Ill., and Charlene June Scott of Chicago; a niece, Pat Bennett of Angola; and four grandchildren, Andy and Jill Teeters, and David and Diane Clark.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Catherine Bennett.

Friends may call from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Friday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home. Burial will be at Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola, with military graveside services by the Angola American Legion Post 31.

Memorial donations to the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center are preferred.

Sherrill Phillips

FARMER, Ohio — Sherrill M. Phillips, 87, died Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. at Harborside Heath Care in Defiance, Ohio.

Mr. Phillips retired from General Motors in Defiance in 1973 after 25 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of the Farmer American Legion Post. He attended Day Spring Fellowship Church in Hicksville, Ohio, and lived in rural Farmer.

He was born April 11, 1911, in Kingsport, Tenn., to the late Joseph and Elizabeth Calhoun Phillips.

He married Susie Rohn on Feb. 4, 1943, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Cecelia Reed of El Paso, Texas; five sons, George of Ney, Ohio, James of Littelton, N.C., Joseph of Bryan, Ohio, Gary of Sherwood, Ohio, and Paul of Hicksville; three sisters, Esther Corn of Jacksonville, Fla., Dorothy Griswold of Columbia City and Mary Jones of Fort Wayne; one brother, Joseph of Auburn; 13 grandchildren, four stepgrandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 10 stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Elizabeth Ann Blosser; one granddaughter, Wendey Sue Blosser; four brothers and two sisters.

Friends may call Friday after 1 p.m. and Saturday after 8 a.m. (Indiana times) in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home. Pastors Bill and Liz Vogelsong will officiate, with burial in the Farmer Cemetery.ry.

The Evening Star, Thurs. April 16, 1998 (cont'd)

Glade Leiter

FORT WAYNE — Glade Allen Leiter, 88, died Tuesday in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born Aug. 22, 1909, in Noble County.

Mr. Leiter had lived in Wabash from 1965-88. He was a farmer and was employed by Dana Corp. He also owned Leiter Tax Service in Wabash and was a member of the World Wide Church of God.

Surviving are two daughters, Lorna D. Goad of Fort Wayne, and Nancy F. Newman of Steamboat Springs, Colo.; two brothers, Cleo Leiter of DeKalb County, and Ray Leiter of LaOtto; four sisters, Mary Peduto of Shelbyville, June Hadley of Churubusco, Gladys McNabb of Michigan, and Dorothy Martin of Kendallville; a grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

His wife, Ruth, preceded him in death in 1989.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Homes, Winchester Road Chapel, 6424 Winchester Road. Burial will be in Memorial Lawn Cemetery in Wabash.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Beatrice Hermann

ANGOLA — Beatrice L. Hermann, 76, of Angola, died Tuesday at 8:45 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hermann, a homemaker, moved to Angola in 1978 from Chicago. She was a member of the Angola Post 31 American Legion Auxiliary for 35 years. She enjoyed sewing and making crafts.

She was born Feb. 14, 1922, in Branch County, Mich., to the late Fred L. and Mildred (Yates) Marsh.

On Aug. 30, 1946, she married Louis Hermann, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Ronald Hermann of Bartlett, Ill.; a daughter, Katherine Hermann of Coldwater, Mich.; two brothers, Dale L. Marsh of Palos Hills, Ill., and Paul Marsh of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.; two sisters, Elsie Shehan of Downers Grove, Ill., and Lois Marsh of Angola; four grandchildren, Laura Richards, Karen Knapp, John Richardson and Steven Richardson Jr.; and a stepgrandchild.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Russell Marsh, and a sister, Bernice Marsh.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Heart Association.

James Moser

ANGOLA — James E. Moser, 75, of Angola, died Monday at 11:30 p.m. at his residence.

Mr. Moser worked at Dana Weatherhead in Angola for 25 years. A Navy veteran of World War II, he was a 50-year member of the American Legion, a member of the 40&8, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Moose Lodge.

He was born April 1, 1923, in Berne to the late Edwin and Orpha (Winteregg) Moser.

Surviving are a daughter, Rebecca (and husband, Steven) Miller of Fort Wayne; a son, Randy Moser of Live Oak, Fla.; two grandchildren; a companion, Betty Welch of Angola; a sister, Joan Graber of Phoenix; and two brothers, Leroy Moser of Mesa, Ariz., and Dale Moser of Cottonwood, Ariz.

Memorial services and military rites will take place at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont, with the Rev. Ron Hyre officiating. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Cornelia Vilders

ANGOLA — Cornelia Vilders, 95, of Angola, died Tuesday at 10:15 p.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Vilders, a homemaker, moved to Angola from Detroit. She was a member of the Dutch Immigrant Society.

She was born May 26, 1903, in Amsterdam, Netherlands, to the late Louis and Ernestina (Bouwer) Martens.

On May 28, 1924, she married Dick P. Vilders, who preceded her in death on Dec. 16, 1986.

Surviving are a son, Neal Vilders of Las Vegas; a brother Ehr Martens of Holland, Netherlands; a sister, Lie, of Holland; 10 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Richard Vilders, and seven brothers and sisters.

Private memorial services will take place at the Chapel in the Garden, Angola. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

The Evening Star, Fri., April 17, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Rowena Schweitzer

ASHLEY — Rowena P. Schweitzer, 93, of Ashley, died at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was born in Lima, Ohio, Aug. 7, 1904, to Daniel and Pearl (Sellers) Mohler. On April 8, 1927, in Ligonier, she married Charles Schweitzer. He preceded her in death Sept. 3, 1997.

Mrs. Schweitzer, a graduate of Cromwell High School, had lived in Ashley more than 70 years. She was a homemaker and member of St. John's United Church of Christ of rural Ashley.

Surviving are a son, Robert Schweitzer of Fairmount; two sisters, Flossie Bidwell of Helmer, and Nellie Hammond of North Webster; a brother, Clyde Mohler of Harbor Springs, Mich.; eight stepgrandchildren; and several stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson, with the Rev. Norman Conklin officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Dale Hathaway

DESHLER, Ohio — Dale Kenneth Hathaway, 82, of Deshler, Ohio, died Thursday at 7:19 a.m. in Wood County Hospital, Bowling Green, Ohio.

Mr. Hathaway was a locomotive engineer for Chessie Systems at Fostoria, Ohio, retiring in 1975. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Train Collectors Association.

He was a World War II U. S. Army veteran, serving from 1943-46 as a Technician Fourth Grade, 740th Railway Operation Battalion, in northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

He was born May 1, 1915, in Garrett to Milton and Emma (Feller) Hathaway, both now deceased.

On Aug. 2, 1941, he married Opal Sadler in Rushville, Ind.. She survives in Deshler.

Along with his wife, he is survived by two sons, Duane of Deshler and Gary of McComb, Ohio; two brothers, Claude of Connersville and Orel of Garrett; two sisters, Mary Maxwell of Garrett and Wilma Gilbert of Kendallville; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Merle, Paul and Roy, and one sister, Blanche Stafford.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday at 12:30 p.m. (Indiana time) in Rodenberger Funeral Home, Deshler, with Pastor James Creager officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Deshler.

Friends may call today from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. (Indiana times) at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Deshler EMS or a charity of the donor's choice.

John Toth

ANGOLA — John S. Toth, 84, of Little Otter Lake, Steuben County, died Thursday at 11 a.m. at his residence.

Mr. Toth was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. He moved to Little Otter Lake in 1979 from Celina, Ohio, and had lived in Swanton, Ohio, for 11 years.

He worked as a pipefitter for Lima Local 776.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge 120 in Celina and the Scottish Rite, Valley of Dayton, Ohio. He also worked at Auto Lite as a millwright in Toledo, Ohio, and at Adam and Loos Boiler Works in Toledo. He participated in the senior citizens bowling and card clubs of Steuben County.

He was born Aug. 31, 1913, in Windber, Pa., to the late Joseph and Barbary (Nagy) Toth.

On Sept. 21, 1935, he married LFrieda (Raker) Toth, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, John Stephen Toth Jr. of Temperance, Mich., and Michael Toth of St. Marys, Ohio; two daughters, Dolores Wuebker and Garnet Babb, both of Celina; a sister, Elizabeth Spangler of Perrysburg, Ohio; 11 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Shirley Bost; a grandson, Robin Herron; a great-grandson, Shane Bost; four brothers and four sisters.

Friends may call Monday from 10-11 a.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Raker Cemetery, Delta, Ohio.

Memorial donations to Cameron Hospice and Home Health Care are preferred.

The Evening Star, Fri, April 17, 1998 (cont'd)

Angie Clark

READING, Mich. — Angie Clark, 60, of Reading, Mich., died Wednesday at 9:40 p.m. in Burgess Medical Center, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Mrs. Clark was a homemaker. She was born April 23, 1937, in Winchester, Ky., to the late Bechum and Goldie (King) Taulby. She married Richard Clark in 1955, and he preceded her in death on Feb. 7, 1989.

Surviving are three sons, Linley of Hamilton, Glen D. of Plainfield, and Richard of Reading, Mich.; five daughters, Lucille McNeely of South Bend, Elva Redigonda of Portage, Elizabeth Owens of Kendallville, Rosemary Charles of Ligonier and Beverly England of Angola; a brother, Adam Taulby of LaGrange; a sister, Viola Wilcox of Angola; 27 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She is was preceded in death by five grandchildren.

Friends may call Saturday from 4-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Steuben County.

Howard Lemper

CARTHAGE, N.C. — Services for Howard C. "Bud" Lemper, 76,will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Father Raymond Balzer, pastor of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn, will officiate.

Friends may call today from 5-8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Mr. Lemper, 76, died Tuesday at 4:10 p.m. in Moore Regional Hospital, Pinehurst, N.C.

He served as plant manager for Dana Corp. in Auburn for six years, retiring in 1972 after 30 years of service.

He was a past president of the Auburn Chamber of Commerce and United Way, and a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers and St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Southern Pines, N.C. He had lived in North Carolina since 1989, and formerly lived in rural Auburn and Garrett.

Mr. Lemper was born Feb. 19, 1922, in Avilla to the late Henry and Henrietta (Borke) Lemper.

He married Betty M. Freeman on Jan. 30, 1943, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Phil Lemper of Garrett; two daughters, Carole Lemper of Greensboro, N.C. and Barbara Wesner of Whispering Pines, N.C.; one brother, Herman of Auburn; three sisters, Helen Close of Birmingham, Mich., Delores Ferrell of Hendersonville, N.C., and Lucille Weimer of Auburn; six grandchildren, Matt, Scott and Brooke Wesner, Beth Riffe, Phil Lemper Jr. and Tim Lemper; and five great-grandchildren.

Three brothers preceded him in death.

Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County United Way.

Deaths/Funerals

James Houser

BUTLER — James "Jim" D. Houser, 56, died Friday at 7 a.m. in his rural Butler home.

Mr. Houser was employed as a gear operator at Auburn Gear for about 27 years. He served in the Army Reserves from 1960-67 and was a member of the Butler Church of the Nazarene.

He was born Sept. 4, 1941, in Butler to Wayne B. and Mary Evelyn (Stell) Houser, both now deceased.

On Sept. 3, 1961, he married Sharon Kay Thorp in the Butler Church of the Nazarene. She survives in rural Butler.

Also surviving are one son, David Houser of Butler; one daughter, Jodi High of Butler; a sister, Marjorie Leach of Butler; a half-sister, Charlotte Boyum of Nevada; and two grandchildren, Brittany High and Joshua Houser, both of Butler.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Phillip Houser.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. in the Butler Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Paul Patton officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-8 p.m. at the H. E. Johnson and Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Nancy Lower

AUBURN — Nancy L. Lower, 47, died Friday at 12:40 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was a sales clerk for Emro Marketing Co., which operates Smokes for Less in Auburn. She lived in Auburn and was a member of Auburn Baptist Church.

Ms. Lower was born July 11, 1950, in Missouri to the late James and Ruth (Loman) Hayden.

Surviving her are two sons, Scott A. and Michael E., both of Auburn; one daughter, Lisa M. of Wolcottville; five brothers, David Hayden of Michigan, and Terry Hayden, Henry Hayden, William Hayden and James Hayden, all of Lafayette; two sisters, Sharon Dietrich of Pennsylvania and Susan Rhymer of St. Joe; and three grandchildren.

One brother and one grandchild preceded her in death.

Friends may call Monday from 3-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Kenny Queener of Auburn Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Stella Busse

DECATUR — Stella Busse, 83, of Decatur, died Wednesday in Woodcrest Nursing Center in Decatur.

On Nov. 25, 1914, in Root Township, Adams County, she was born to Louis F. Holle and Carolina Franke. At Redeemer Lutheran Church in Louisville, Ky., she was married to Charles F. Busse by Pastor Schedler on Sept. 24, 1949. Her husband preceded her in death on Aug. 17, 1975.

She worked in the office of Stiefel Grain for 17 years beginning in 1957, and was a former employee of Hoagland Elevator.

Mrs. Busse was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Decatur, Emmaus Guild of the church and a former member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Decatur.

Surviving are a son, Alan F. Busse of rural Decatur; a daughter, Mrs. Ted (Renee D.) Sterling of St. Joe; a brother, Donald F. Holle of Big Long Lake; a sister, Mrs. Vernon "Bun" (Alice) Affolder of Decatur; and four grandchildren.

Two brothers, Hilbert and Elgene Holle, one sister, Bernice Stoppenhagen, and one grandson, Brandon Busse, preceded her in death.

Services are at 2 p.m. today in Zion Lutheran Church, Decatur, with Rev. Donald W. Biester officiating. Burial will be in St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, Preble.

Calling is one hour prior to the service at the church.

Preferred memorials are to Zion Lutheran Church, Decatur, or St. Paul Lutheran Church, Preble.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **E. Wayne Olinghouse**, 78, of LaGrange, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Monday at the First Church of God in LaGrange. Calling from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

LIGONIER — **Lennel D. "Pat" Weimer**, 67, of Ligonier, died Friday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home in Ligonier. Calling is 2 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Gloria Boger

AUBURN — Gloria Jane Boger, 62, died Sunday at 11:15 p.m. in her home on Janie Street in Auburn.

She was a telephone operator for the Indiana Bell Telephone Co. for 30 years, retiring in 1984. She was a member of Pioneers of America and the Indian Village Church of God in Auburn. She was a church organist for several years.

She was born Oct. 1, 1935, in Auburn to the late Harold and Dorothy (Mavis) Boger.

Surviving her are four brothers, Clarence A., Michael L. and Larry D., all of Auburn, and John L. of Palm Bay, Fla.; and two sisters, Carolyn E. Trammel and Marlene K. Boger, both of Auburn.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dale Williams officiating. Burial will take place in Roselawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Indian Village Church of God food bank or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Richard Livergood

AUBURN — Richard G. Livergood, 82, died Sunday at 4:45 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Livergood was a retired from his work as a machinist for Auburn Gear and lived in Auburn. He was a member of the Auburn Church of Christ and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was born Sept. 15, 1915, in Keyser Township, DeKalb County, to the late J.D. and Clara (Rollins) Livergood.

He married Ruth E. Fulk on Jan. 1, 1956, in Auburn and she died in 1981.

Surviving are two daughters, Suellen Gray of Garrett and Patsy A. Livergood of Pleasant Lake.

There will be no calling or service. Burial will take place at a later date.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Joseph Butler

ALBION — Joseph H. "Joe" Butler, 47, of Albion, died at 4:57 a.m. Sunday in the emergency room of McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville.

He was born in Garrett, March 15, 1951, to Kenneth and Mary (Donley) Butler. His father preceded him in death. His mother survives. On March 22, 1975, in Kendallville, he married Lois Darrow. She also survives.

Mr. Butler, a lifetime Noble County resident, had lived the Albion area 24 years. He was set-up group leader for Dexter Axle in Albion for 21 years.

Surviving with his wife and mother are three daughters, Joei Freeze of Mongo, and Tina Cook and Rachel Camp, both of Auburn; three sons, Paul Butler and Todd Butler, both of Albion, and Joseph A. Butler of Angola; 11 grandchildren; five sisters, Barb Belschner of Wolcottville, and Debra Ross, Pam Walkup, Sandy Hankins, all of Kendallville, and Linda Crockett of Ligonier; and two brothers, Kenneth Butler of Avilla, and Richard Butler of Kendallville.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with the Rev. Eric Ball officiating. Burial will be in Sweet Cemetery, Albion.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Alzheimer's Unit of Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

Jerry Leer

KENDALLVILLE — Jerry A. Leer, 51, of Kendallville, died at 8:52 p.m. Friday in Memorial Hospital in Lufkin, Texas.

He was born in Sturgis, Mich., June 7, 1946, to Monroe C. "Bud" and Lauris (Elliott) Leer. His father survives in Howe. His mother preceded him in death Jan. 31, 1995. On Oct. 4, 1969, in Lufkin, he married Linda S. Madden. She survives.

Mr. Leer moved from LaGrange County to Kendallville in 1993. He was a route salesman for Prairie Farms Dairy in Fort Wayne. He was a member of Brighton Chapel.

Surviving with his wife and father, are two daughters, Amanda Leer of Fort Wayne, and Kayli Leer of Kendallville; a son, Wesley Leer of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mrs. Don (Gayle) Warble of Elkhart, and Mrs. Mike (Kris) Patalita of Fort Wayne; four brothers, Greg Leer and Todd Leer, both of Orland, Brad Leer of Bowling Green, Ky., and Tracy Leer of Howe.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Brighton Chapel, Brighton, with the Rev. George Youstra and the Rev. Dwight Kauffman officiating. Burial will be in Brighton Cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-8 p.m. Tuesday in Brighton Chapel.

Preferred memorials are to Brighton Chapel.

Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Mon., April 20, 1998 (cont'd)

Walter Gibson

NEW HAVEN — Walter J. Gibson, 96, died Friday at Regency Place, Fort Wayne.

He was a farmer and also worked for the state highway department for 10 years. He lived in Allen County all his life.

Surviving him are one son, Ralph Gibson of Auburn; three daughters, Geraldine Huguenard of Monroeville, Delores Bowers of New Haven, and Evelyn Morris of Cape Coral, Fla.; 25 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Grace M. (Bobay) Gibson and a son, Delbert Gibson.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven. A rosary service will be conducted tonight at 8:30 in the funeral home.

Services will take place Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Louis Catholic Church, New Haven. A prayer service will be conducted Tuesday at 9:15 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Hessen Cassel, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to TV Mass or the debt reduction fund at St. Louis Catholic Church.

Alex Whitaker Jr.

HAMILTON — Alex Whitaker Jr., 69, died Sunday in Salyerville, Fla. He was a Hamilton resident.

Arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Area Deaths

TOPEKA — **Harry E. Burgess**, 68, of Topeka, died Saturday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Evelyn M. Street**, 79, died Saturday. Funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church, with calling an hour before services.

SYRACUSE — **Opal Bernice Heltzel**, 85, died Friday. Services were today in Syracuse.

Deaths/Funerals

Patricia Stayer

BUTLER — Patricia Stayer, 67, died today at 5 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mrs. Stayer was a homemaker. She was born Jan. 17, 1931, in Waterloo to Chester and Helen (Schlosser) Frick. Her mother survives in Garrett and her father is deceased.

She married James W. Stayer on Aug. 31, 1948, in Butler and he died Dec. 16, 1983.

Surviving her are four sons, Ronald of Auburn, Randy of Butler, Terry of Coldwater, Mich., and Jeff of Hamilton; one sister, Brenda Stayer of Butler; one brother, Alfred Eugene Frick of Waterloo; one sister, Betty Roose of Garrett; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One brother preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 2:30 p.m. The Rev. Ralph Diehl will officiate. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Butler Little League.

Harold Houser

AUBURN — Col. Harold H. Houser, 84, died Sunday at 5:55 p.m. in Toledo, Ohio.

He retired as a colonel in the U.S. Army on Nov. 30, 1968.

Col. Houser was born Sept. 13, 1913, in Payne, Ohio, to the late Ora E. and Ethel M. (Sanders) Houser.

He married Geraldine Buhl on Sept. 24, 1942, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, H. David and Carol Sue Houser of Auburn; a half-brother, Jack Houser of Valparaiso; and two grandchildren, Mike Houser of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Nicki Houser of Auburn.

One sister, Helen Houser, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. There will be no service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Indiana Organ Procurement Organization.

Roberta Hendricks

FLORAL CITY, Fla. — Roberta G. "Bert" Hendricks, 65, of Floral City, Fla., died April 10 at her home.

She was homemaker and a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

She was born in Salem Center on Jan. 12, 1933, to the late Grover and Emily Butler Cool.

Serving are her husband of 48 years, William P. Hendricks; two sons, David P. Hendricks of Palm Harbor, Fla., and Douglas W. Hendricks of Gulf Stream Fla.; a daughter, Gail Campagna of Palm Beach Garden, Fla.; a brother, James B. Cool of Burbank, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. Robert (Dora) Clark of Hudson; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert (her twin) and John Cool, both of Salem.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Alex Whitaker Jr.

HAMILTON — Alex Whitaker Jr., 69, died Saturday in his home in Salyersville, Ky.

Mr. Whitaker worked for the Waterloo unit of the Indiana State Highway Department for 21 years, retiring in 1990. He resided in Hamilton and Salyersville. He was a member of Stinson Baptist Church in Salyersville and attended the Waterloo Freewill Baptist Church.

He was born June 15, 1928, in Maggofin County, Ky., to the late Alex and Parrot (Shepard) Whitaker.

Surviving him are two daughters, Sarah Whitaker and Annette Whitaker, both of Hamilton; one brother, Russell of Rensselaer; and two sisters, Jeannette Shepard of North Manchester and Betty Ruth McCarty of Salyersville.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Herb, Joe, Lonnie and Thomas Benton Whitaker; and six sisters, Lannie Howard, Audrey Clemans, Maltee Howard, Goldie Creager, Ellie Edwards and Gladys Johnson.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Millie Thomas

AUBURN — Millie Ann Thomas, 67, died Monday evening in Florida Hospital at Altamonte Springs, Fla.

Arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo

Christine Treadwell

COLUMBIA CITY — Christine Treadwell died Monday evening at her daughter's home in Columbia City.

Arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Gloria Boger

AUBURN — Gloria Jane Boger, 62, died Sunday at 11:15 p.m. in her home on Janie Street in Auburn.

She was a telephone operator for the Indiana Bell Telephone Co. for 30 years, retiring in 1984. She was a member of Pioneers of America and the Indian Village Church of God in Auburn. She was a church organist for several years.

She was born Oct. 1, 1935, in Auburn to the late Harold and Dorothy (Mavis) Boger.

Surviving her are four brothers, Clarence A., Michael L. and Larry D., all of Auburn, and John L. of Palm Bay, Fla.; and two sisters, Carolyn E. Trammel and Marlene K. Boger, both of Auburn.

A brother, Franklin, preceded her in death

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dale Williams officiating. Burial will take place in Roselawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Indian Village Church of God food bank or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Evening Star, Tues., April 27, 1998 (cont'd)

Lois Hodge

KENDALLVILLE — Lois J. Hodge, 71, of Kendallville, died unexpectedly at 9 a.m. Saturday in her residence.

She was born in Auburn, Aug. 6, 1926, to Fred and Gertrude (Schmenk) Funderburg.

Mrs. Hodge had moved to Kendallville in 1970 from Marion. She was a graduate of Christian College in Columbia, Mo., and held a sociology degree from the University of Michigan. She was retired and a member of First Presbyterian Church, Women of the Moose, and served on the board of the Noble County Red Cross. She was also a member and volunteer for McCray Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, James R. and Camilla Hodge of New York City, N.Y., and a granddaughter, Emma Hodge, also of New York.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Stanley Kessler officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla.

Visitation is from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Jasmine Cleveland

KENDALLVILLE — Jasmine Jean Cleveland was stillborn at 10:52 p.m. Saturday in McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville.

Surviving are her parents, Greg and Tina (Hakey) Cleveland of Kendallville; three brothers, Joshua McKnight of Butler, and Andy Truelove and Zack Hakey, both of Kendallville; a sister, Marie McKnight of Butler; maternal grandmother, Twylia Hakey of Auburn; and paternal grandparents, Aldon and Ida Cleveland of LaGrange.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Ontario Cemetery, with the Rev. Dan Garmon officiating.

There will be no visitation.

Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Fern K. Parker**, 99, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 4-7 p.m. Thursday.

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Rottger

GARRETT — Robert A. Rottger, 46, of West Quincy Street, Garrett, died Monday at 10:20 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital at Fort Wayne.

Mr. Rottger worked for Owens-Corning in Angola for one year. Prior to that, he worked as an assembler for 21 1/2 years at Vulcraft in St. Joe.

He was born May 18, 1951, in Garrett to Frank and Mildred (Ely) Rottger. His parents survive in Auburn.

On April 11, 1970, he married Glenda Maloney in Altona. She survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are a son, Bobby W. Rottger of Auburn; a daughter, Carla S. Rottger of Kendallville; two brothers, Edward and Richard, both of Auburn; four sisters, Linda Wilford of Auburn, Janet Zimmerman of Butler, Connie Roush of Garrett, and Janice of London, Ky.; one grandson, Brennen Storey; and one granddaughter, Sierra Rottger.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Pentecostal Church of God, Altona, with the Rev. Lane Andrews officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Millie Thomas

AUBURN — Millie Ann Thomas, 67, died Monday in Florida Hospital in Altamonte Springs, Fla.

Mrs. Thomas lived on West Twentieth Street in Auburn. She worked at Electric Motors Co. in Garrett for three years. She owned and operated T&T Quality Paint Store in Tampa, Fla., for 15 years with her second husband, retiring in 1988.

She was a member of Freedom to Worship Church of God in Altona.

She was born May 20, 1931, in Allices, Ky., to the late Bechham and Tempie (Davis) Fugate. Her first husband, Chester Bowling, preceded her in death.

She married Raymond D. Thomas on April 13, 1971, in West Virginia, and he survives.

Also surviving are five sons and four daughters-in-law, Michael Bowling of Illinois, Danny and Lori Bowling of Orlando, Fla.; Tony and Kim Rowe of Greensville, S.C., Roger and Carol Rowe of Tampa, and Eddie and Joyce Rowe, also of Tampa; one daughter and son-in-law, Marlene and Roger Steinman of Auburn; one sister, Ellice Davidson of Auburn; 18 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Ruby Fay Bowling; one son, Chester Bowling Jr.; two sisters, Dorothy and Gladys Fugate; and two brothers, Clyde and Hiram Fugate.

Friends may call Friday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Private services will be conducted Saturday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Joe Freeman officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

C. Christine Treadwell

COLDWATER, Mich. — C. Christine Treadwell, 88, of Coldwater, Mich., died Tuesday at 1:50 a.m. at her daughter's home in Columbia City.

Mrs. Treadwell was a former resident of Auburn. She was a former one-room school teacher in Calhoun County, Mich., and she worked alongside her husband, Dr. Dale Treadwell, in his physician's office in Auburn.

She was a former member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn, and a founding member of the Home Builders Sunday School class there. She was a member of the Auxiliary to the Indiana Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, and a founding member of the Au-tra-Nu Club of Auburn.

She was born May 17, 1909, in Calhoun County, Mich., to Beatson and Eva Maria (Grinnell) Walkinshaw, both now deceased.

On Aug. 9, 1931, she married Dr. Dale Treadwell in Marshall, Mich. He preceded her in death on April 12, 1988.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Bryce and Stephanie Treadwell of Auburn; three daughters and sons-in-law, Charlotte and Philip Scott of Livingston, Texas, Rebecca and Steven Henry of Holt, Mich., and Pamela and Richard Koch of Columbia City; two sisters, Virginia Stauble of Albany, Ore., and Evelyn Sinke of Lowell, Mich.; 18 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were a brother, Dr. Lawrence Walkinshaw; two sisters, Fannie Metz and Winifred Clay; and a great-granddaughter, Jessica Mikesell.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Newton Cemetery, Union City, Mich.

Memorials contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Fund Inc.

Mary Grosh

SPRING HILL, Fla. — Mary Pearl Grosh, 96, died Monday in Brooksville Health Care Center at Brooksville, Fla.

She was a homemaker and formerly lived in DeKalb County before moving to Spring Hill, Fla.

She was born March 4, 1902, in Van Wert, Ohio, to the late Louis and Nellie (Morgan) Werts.

Surviving her are three sons, Lester of Spring Hill, Donald B. of Leesburg, Fla., and Joel of Arab, Ala.; six grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Evening Star, Wed., April 22, 1998 (cont'd)

Patricia Stayer

BUTLER — Patricia Stayer, 67, died Tuesday at 5 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mrs. Stayer was a homemaker. She was born Jan. 17, 1931, in Waterloo to Chester and Helen (Schlosser) Frick. Her mother survives in Garrett and her father is deceased.

She married James W. Stayer on Aug. 31, 1948, in Butler and he died Dec. 16, 1983.

Surviving her are four sons, Ronald of Auburn, Randy of Butler, Terry of Coldwater, Mich., and Jeff of Hamilton; one daughter, Brenda Stayer of Butler; one brother, Alfred Eugene Frick of Waterloo; one sister, Betty Roose of Garrett; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One brother preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 2:30 p.m. The Rev. Ralph Diehl will officiate. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Butler Little League.

Alex Whitaker Jr.

HAMILTON — Funeral services for Alex Whitaker Jr., will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Waterloo Freewill Baptist Church.

Brother James Rowe and Brother Dean Rowe will officiate. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Mr. Whitaker, 69, died Saturday in his home in Salyersville, Ky.

He worked for the Waterloo unit of the Indiana State Highway Department for 21 years, retiring in 1990. He resided in Hamilton and Salyersville. He was a member of Stinson Baptist Church in Salyersville and attended the Waterloo Freewill Baptist Church.

He was born June 15, 1928, in Maggofin County, Ky., to the late Alex and Parrot (Shepard) Whitaker.

Surviving him are two daughters, Sarah Whitaker and Annette Whitaker, both of Hamilton; one brother, Russell of Rensselaer; and two sisters, Jeannette Shepard of North Manchester and Betty Ruth McCarty of Salyersville.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Herb, Joe, Lonnie and Thomas Benton Whitaker; and six sisters, Lannie Howard, Audrey Clemans, Maltee Howard, Goldie Creager, Ellie Edwards and Gladys Johnson.

Alexander Mick

CORUNNA — Alexander Lee Mick, infant son of James O. Mick and Angel Baughman of Corunna, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, shortly after his birth.

Surviving with his parents are paternal grandparents, Phillip and Cindy Arnett of Corunna; maternal grandparents, Tad and Anna Baughman of Butler, and Dorothy Brethouwer of Michigan.

Graveside services will be at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Corunna Cemetery, with the Rev. Sam Weimer officiating.

There is no visitation.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Deaths/Funerals

William Wilson

AUBURN — William L. Wilson, 71, died Wednesday at 7:45 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

An Auburn resident, Mr. Wilson was the secretary for S&S Oil Co., retiring in 1995. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of Auburn Elks Lodge 1978, Auburn American Legion Post 97, and the International Order of Odd Fellows lodge.

He was born March 14, 1927, in Auburn to the late Aubrey and Wilma (Latson) Wilson.

He married Barbara "Bobbie" Cochran on Nov. 19, 1949, in Auburn, and she died Feb. 2, 1980.

Surviving are four sons, Ivan Silva of Manaus, Brazil; Kenneth Wilson of Fort Wayne, William Wilson of Leo and Stuart Wilson of Auburn; one daughter, Karen Savikas of Clover, S.C.; one sister, Barbara Spears of Angola; and 14 grandchildren.

One sister, Louise Weller, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Saturday from 3:30-7:30 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Father Skip Carsten officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Elks National Foundation or DeKalb County Hospice.

William Coleman

CHURUBUSCO — William A. Coleman, 68, of Churubusco, died at 9:40 a.m. Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient the past seven weeks. He had been in declining health the past year.

He was born Jan. 11, 1930, in Fort Wayne, to Edward C. and Nora (Feaser) Coleman. On May 31, 1986, he married Esther Schoaff Manley. She survives.

Mr. Coleman grew up in the Fort Wayne area and served with the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He had been employed in the maintenance department of Morrill Motors in Fort Wayne nearly 40 years, retiring in 1993. He had lived near Churubusco since his marriage and was a member of the Monroeville American Legion Post.

Surviving with his wife are a son and daughter-in-law, DeWayne and Dalene Coleman of Hoagland; three daughters, Mrs. Lonnie (Mary) Lainhart of Garrett, Mrs. Don (Joanne) Jeffrey of Van Wert, Ohio, and Mrs. Kurt (Lorie) Babb of Ossian; a stepson and daughter-in-law, James L. and Rebecca Manley of Columbia City; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Don (Donna) Sprague of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren; and one stepgrandchild.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda Moreno in 1989; two brothers, and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with the Rev. Lane Burgland and the Rev. Rick Van Horn officiating. Entombment will be in the mausoleum at Covington Memorial Gardens in Fort Wayne.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Believer's Bible Fellowship in Churubusco, or Faith Lutheran Church Building Fund in Churubusco.

Millie Thomas

AUBURN — Millie Ann Thomas, 66, died Monday in Florida Hospital in Altamonte Springs, Fla.

Mrs. Thomas lived on West Twentieth Street in Auburn. She worked at Electric Motors Co. in Garrett for three years. She owned and operated T&T Quality Paint Store in Tampa, Fla., for 15 years with her third husband, Raymond D. Thomas, before retiring in 1988.

She was a member of the Freedom to Worship Church of God in Altona.

She was born May 20, 1931, in Allices, Ky., to the late Bechham and Tempie (Davis) Fugate. Her first husband, Chester Bowling, preceded her in death.

She married Raymond D. Thomas on April 13, 1971, in West Virginia, and he survives.

Also surviving are five sons and four daughters-in-law, Michael Bowling of Illinois, Danny and Lori Bowling of Orlando, Fla.; Tony and Kim Rowe of Greensville, S.C., Roger and Carol Rowe of Tampa, and Eddie and Joyce Rowe, also of Tampa; one daughter and son-in-law, Marlene and Roger Steinman of Auburn; one sister, Ellice Davidson of Auburn; 18 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Ruby Fay Bowling; one son, Chester Bowling Jr.; two sisters, Dorothy and Gladys Fugate; and two brothers, Clyde and Hiram Fugate.

Friends may call Friday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Private services will be conducted Saturday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Joe Freeman officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Hospice, Freedom to Worship Church of God, or Circle of Friends.

Evening Star, Thurs., April 23, 1998 (cont'd)

Wayne Douglas

SPENCERVILLE — Wayne Douglas, 83, died Wednesday afternoon at The Cedars in Leo.

Mr. Douglas was a farmer, manager of the St. Joe Elevator, and a brakeman for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was a past president of the Bar None Saddle Club and Northeast Indiana Draft Horse Association, and was active for many years in the Allen County 4-H Horse & Pony Club.

He was born May 11, 1914, in Hamilton to the late Lloyd and Elizabeth (Betts) Douglas.

He married Jean Quinn on June 24, 1967, in Fort Wayne, and she survives in Spencerville.

Also surviving are three sons and two daughters-in-law, Steven Douglas of Valparaiso, Rick and Cindy Chappell of Arcola, and Randy and Lois Chappell of Auburn; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Nina Douglas of Fort Myers, Fla., Janet and George Ducy of Pueblo West, Colo., and Renea and Terry Baker of Spencerville; two brothers, Arlo of Fort Wayne and Harold of Hamilton; one sister, Ruth Jack of Angola; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 9:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Don Delagrange officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Virginia Treesh

AUBURN — Virginia A. Treesh, 80, died Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in Kingston Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Treesh lived most of her life in Auburn. She was a secretary and bookkeeper for the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home and furniture business in Auburn for several years. She was a member of Tri Kappa Sorority in Auburn and the Auburn Presbyterian Church, where she served as church secretary for several years.

She was born Dec. 31, 1917, in Traverse City, Mich., to the late Archibald "Archie" and Lu Rella (Van Dusen) George.

She married Vernal T. Treesh on Feb. 1, 1942, in the Auburn Presbyterian Church, and he died July 26, 1995.

Surviving are one daughter, Barbara Treesh of Fort Wayne, and one sister, Princess Davidson of Mishawaka.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert and Paul George, a half-brother, Hugo George, and one sister, Barbara Williams.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

A graveside service will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn, with the Rev. Diane Manon officiating.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association or American Diabetes Association.

Matilda Burniston

GARRETT — Matilda A. "Till" Burniston, 62, died Wednesday at 3:25 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Burniston worked at Magnavox in Columbia City for 16 years as a team member. She lived on North Randolph Street in Garrett, and was a member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett.

She was born March 11, 1936, in West Union, W.Va., to the late Wesley E. and Lida Eula (Bee) Dennison.

She married Charles W. "Chuck" Burniston on Nov. 26, 1955, in Garrett, and he survives.

Also surviving are one son, William of Garrett; two daughters, Catherine Griffith of Garrett and Teresa Phillips of Papillion, Neb.; three brothers, Gene Dennison of Mulberry, Fla., Charles Dennison of Garrett and Clifford Dennison of Butler; two sisters, Mable Snyder of Garrett and Thelma Strup of Edgerton, Ohio; 11 grandchildren and one stepgrandchild.

One brother, Bud Dennison, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Lloyd Mealer, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First Church of Christ or the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Don D. Kline**, 46, died Tuesday. Services at 3 p.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 1-3 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., April 24, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Edith Pocock

FREMONT — Edith (Perry) Pocock, 85, of Fremont, died Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. in Bloomington.

Mrs. Pocock was a school teacher for 29 years. She was a member of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association, the Pleasant Hill Missionary Church of Branch County, Mich., and Orland Young at Heart.

She was born July 10, 1912, in Sanilac County, Mich., to the late William and Gertrude (McKay) Perry. Her husband, Harold, died in 1989.

Surviving are two sons, Laurel (and wife, Karyl) Pocock of Angola, and Lowell (and wife, Debra) Pocock of Randleman, N.C.; two daughters, Charlene (and husband, Don) Allen of Bloomington, and Cheryl (and husband, Ben) Gleason of Fremont; a brother, Herbert (and wife, Mae) Perry, Crosswell, Mich.; three sisters, Thelma (and husband, Laurence) Cole of Port Huron, Mich., Gladys (and husband, Harvey) Dafoe of Yale, Mich., and Ora (and husband, Eldon) Palmateer of Port Huron; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. Don Matteson officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations to the Bloomington Hospice or Pleasant Hill Missionary Church are preferred.

Mary Grosh

SPRING HILL, Fla. — Mary Pearl Grosh, 96, died Monday in Brooksville Health Care Center at Brooksville, Fla.

She was a homemaker and formerly lived in DeKalb County before moving to Spring Hill, Fla.

She was born March 4, 1902, in Van Wert, Ohio, to the late Louis and Nellie (Morgan) Wirts. Her husband, Clair Grosh, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are three sons, Lester of Spring Hill, Donald B. of Leesburg, Fla., and Joel of Arab, Ala.; a half-sister, Zelma Schied of Hicksville, Ohio; six grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Elva Duke and Loretta Mitchener, and a brother, John Wirts.

Friends may call today from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Alwilda Walter

SPENCERVILLE — Alwilda Walter, 94, died today at 6:20 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Walter worked several years at General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne and was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Spencerville.

She was born June 13, 1903, in Garrett to the late John and Margaret (Spitler) McNabb.

She married Martin Walter on March 27, 1937, in Fort Wayne, and he died Jan. 16, 1983.

Surviving her are several nieces and nephews.

Five brothers and three sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday, 3-8 p.m., at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Margery E. Goble**, 86, died Thursday. Private memorial services Sunday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City. No calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Susie Emerick

AUBURN — Susie K. Emerick, 91, died Thursday at 4:45 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett, where she had lived for six weeks.

Mrs. Emerick was a homemaker and lived in Auburn for 29 years. She was a former member of Cedarville Ladies Aid and the Auburn Senior Citizens.

She was born Feb. 12, 1907, in Miami County to the late Harmon E. and Carrie B. (Morrow) Stark.

She married Walter Roth on April 13, 1928, and he died in 1957. She married Murray J. Emerick on Oct. 28, 1963, and he died in 1989.

Surviving her are two daughters, Delores M. Hess of Fort Wayne and Mary S. Roth of Auburn; one stepson, Porter Emerick of Florida; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

One daughter, Joyce Slentz, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 5-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Richard Kraus of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Lillian Surfus

HAMILTON — Lillian M. Surfus, 71, died Friday at 10:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at Auburn.

She was a Hamilton resident, a homemaker and a member of the Hamilton Church of Christ.

She was born July 6, 1926, in her home in rural Garrett to Charles and Marie (Kirchner) Croy. Her father is deceased and her mother survives in LaOtto.

She married Wayne Surfus on Dec. 22, 1950, in LaOtto and he survives her.

Also surviving are one son, Sam of Peachtree City, Ga.; a daughter, Gail L. Phillips of Marion, Ohio; five brothers, Lawrence Croy of Rome City, Donald Croy of Angola, Otto Croy of Fall River, Mass., Irvin Croy of Kendallville and Robert Croy of Largo, Fla.; four grandchildren, Julie Eidson, Mindy Surfus, Kristie Peacock and Adam Surfus; several stepgrandchildren; two great-grandchildren, Jonathon Smith and Jordon Peacock; and a special niece and nephew.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Glenn.

Services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. David Payne, pastor of the Hamilton Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Agatha Clark

GARRETT — Agatha A. Clark, 94, died Thursday at 8 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Mrs. Clark was a homemaker and formerly lived on West King Street in Altona. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Rosary Society.

She was born Jan. 26, 1904, in LaOtto to the late Frank and Catherine (Hornett) Adams.

She married Austin Birch Clark on April 21, 1924, in Garrett and he died May 6, 1928.

Surviving her are a son-in-law, Robert Schmidt of Kendallville; one sister, Leona Kessler of Avilla; two grandsons, Joseph Schmidt of Kendallville and John Schmidt of Largo, Fla.; and two great-grandsons, Matthew Schmidt and Anthony Schmidt, both of Albion.

One daughter, Beverly Schmidt, five brothers and three sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 7-9 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. A rosary service will be conducted Sunday at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

A Mass will take place Monday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, with calling after 9:30 a.m. Father Tom Lombardi will officiate. Burial will be in Embrey Cemetery, Garrett.

Alwilda Walter

SPENCERVILLE — Services for Alwilda Walter, 94, will begin at 3 p.m. Monday in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Pastor Richard Kraus and Paul Row will officiate.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Mrs. Walter died Friday at 6:20 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She worked several years at General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne and was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Spencerville.

She was born June 13, 1903, in Garrett to the late John and Margaret (Spitler) McNabb.

She married Martin Walter on March 27, 1937, in Fort Wayne, and he died Jan. 16, 1983.

Surviving her are several nieces and nephews.

Five brothers, Dale McNabb, Earl McNabb, Bernard McNabb, Glen McNabb and Kenneth McNabb, and three sisters, Izetta Chaney, Thelma Oswald, Ethel Landon preceded her in death.

Evening Star, Sat, April 25, 1998 (cont'd)

Mary Johnson

ELKHART — Mary C. Johnson, 81, of Elkhart, died Thursday at 2:43 a.m. in Elkhart General Hospital.

She was born March 26, 1917, in Garrett to O.T. and Irene (Weaver) Shafer. On June 27, 1953 in Angola she married George F. Johnson, who preceded her in death on Oct. 30, 1970.

Mrs. Johnson was retired from CTS Corp., which she was with for more than 30 years. She was a member of the CTS Quarter Century Club and Women of the Moose.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Jack (Judy Reed) Nelson of St. Louis, Mo.; one son, David R. Reed of Elkhart; one brother, Maurice Shafer of Garrett; five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Private family services will be today at Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home with Mrs. Johnson's nephew, the Rev. James Shafer, officiating.

Burial will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

Preferred memorials are to United Cancer Services of Elkhart County or the American Heart Association.

Della Collins

SNEEDVILLE, Tenn. — Della Collins, 62, of Sneedville, who was a member of Freedom to Worship Church of God in Altona, died Friday at Morristown-Hamblen Hospital.

Surviving are her husband, Daniel B. Collins of Sneedville; four daughters, Debra Platter of Angola, Mrs. Joseph (Diana) Main of Fort Wayne, Donna Caudill of Sneedville and Mrs. Charles (Dewanna) Tuffley of Kendallville; one son, Danny J. Collins of Angola; two brothers, Orpha Rowe of Butler and Charles Rowe of Auburn; two sisters, Virginia Bailey of Greenville, Mich. and Judy Rowe of Avilla; 31 grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Adam and Irene Rowe; brothers George and Earland Rowe and Ben Bosley; and sisters Edna Mae Maggart, Dorothy Rowe, Marge Baron and Claudia Gibson.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the chapel of McNeil Funeral Home in Sneedville, with the Rev. Emory Gibson and the Rev. Junior Sexton officiating. Burial is in Gallahon Cemetery.

Visitation is Sunday from 3-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family in lieu of flowers.

The Evening Star, Mon, April 27, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Grover Campbell

ANGOLA — Grover A. Campbell, 76, of Angola, died Saturday at 5:40 a.m. at Northern Indiana Health Care System in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Campbell worked as a grinder at Bomar Instruments. He resided in Angola for seven years after moving from Fort Wayne. He was a member of the Angola Veterans of Foreign Wars, George Anspaugh Post.

He was born April 15, 1922, in Angola, to the late Mitchell and Verle (Holbrook) Campbell.

On Aug. 21, 1959, he married Connie L. (Casto) Campbell, who survives at home in Angola.

Also surviving are two brothers, Howard Campbell of Bryan, Ohio, and Joe Campbell of Quincy, Mich.; and a sister, Mildred Clark of Stryker, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Roland Campbell; and two sisters, Violet Heisler and Marie Campbell.

Memorial services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the family, in care of Connie Campbell, 95 Lane 110-A, Hogback Lake, Angola.

Herbert Gross

CHURUBUSCO — Herbert L. Gross, 86, died Saturday at 8:52 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been in declining health for some time, and had entered the hospital Monday.

Mr. Gross was a Smith Township farmer in partnership with his brother, Guy E. Gross, retiring in 1991. He was a lifelong resident of the Churubusco area. He graduated from Churubusco High School in 1930 and from the Purdue University Agricultural Short Course in 1950.

He was a member of Good News Baptist Church in Churubusco, and had been a deacon, elder and trustee of the former Blue River Church of God in Smith Township. He was past president of the Whitley County Farm Bureau, a former director of the Whitley County 4-H Clubs and had served on the board of directors of the Whitley County Hospital and Whitley County Co-op. He was a Whitley County councilman for eight years.

He was born Feb. 20, 1912, in Smith Township to the late Morris V. and Susie (Switzer) Gross.

He married Leona M. Diffendarfer on Sept. 23, 1937, and she survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Jeanne (Mrs. Richard) Baughman of Churubusco; a brother and sister-in-law, Guy E. and Lois Gross of Churubusco; and two granddaughters, Melissa Sue Baughman and Lori Lynn Baughman, both of Churubusco.

Two brothers, Clarence and Ernest, and a sister, Erma Wilkinson, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in Good News Baptist Church in Churubusco, with calling after 9:30 p.m. Pastor Edward A. Thompson will officiate, with burial in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Janice Miller

AVILLA — Janice Marie Miller, 61, died at 7:45 p.m. Saturday in her home near Avilla.

She was born Jan. 27, 1937, in Wolf Lake to Herman E. and Viola M. (Knafel) Young. They survive near Avilla. On July 17, 1955, in the Methodist Church in Avilla, she married Edward L. Miller. He also survives.

Mrs. Miller, a lifetime Avilla area resident, was a homemaker.

Surviving with her husband and parents are two daughters, Diane M. Miller of Avilla, and Cindy L. Karles of Albion; a son, Lynn E. Miller of Avilla; two sisters, Lindol Abel and Brenda Young, both of Avilla; two brothers, Donald Young of Auburn, and Ricky Young of Albion; and three grandchildren, Matthew, Michael and Mark Wilson.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home in Avilla, with the Rev. Curt Austin officiating. Burial will be in Avilla Cemetery.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Evening Star, Mon. April 27, 1998 (cont'd)

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Betty L. Carnahan**, 79, died Friday. Services were today in Fort Wayne.

CHURUBUSCO — **Herbert L. Gross**, 86, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Good News Baptist Church. Calling 2-8 p.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Russell B. Thacker**, 40, died Saturday. No services. Calling 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Mary Jane Cotterly Clugston**, 94, died Sunday. Services at pending through DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home in Columbia City.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Sharon Sue Braucher Miller**, 53, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in First Church of God, Columbia City. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

Emily Harger

FREMONT — Emily Rebecca Harger, 3, of Fremont, died Friday at 12:10 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born Jan. 7, 1995, in Fort Wayne to Jeffrey and Sara (Tatro) Harger, who survive at home.

Also surviving are a brother, Kincaid Harger of Fremont; maternal grandparents, Barbara and Paul Tatro of Fremont; paternal grandparents, Judith and James Harger of Angola; maternal great-grandparents, Martha and Herbert Brown of Fremont; a maternal great-grandmother, Charlotte Tatro of Ferrisburg, Vt.; and a paternal great-grandmother, Josephine Harger of Butler.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Scott Rashley officiating. Burial will be in Floral Grove Cemetery, West Unity, Ohio.

Memorial donations may be made to the family.

Carl Fosnaugh

HUNTERTOWN — Carl Walter Fosnaugh, 83, of Huntertown, died at 2:15 p.m. Saturday in Sacred Heart Home in Avilla following an extended illness.

He was born Feb. 3, 1915, in Toledo, Ohio, to Isaac Newton and Ida May (Patton) Fosnaugh.

He moved to Fort Wayne as a young man and in 1949 moved to Huntertown where he was owner and operator of Walt's Ignition Service for 30 years. He retired in 1980.

Surviving are two sons, Carl Rex Fosnaugh of Garrett, and Terry N. Fosnaugh of Huntertown; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with the Rev. E. Vaughn Powell, pastor emeritus of Churubusco United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery near Huntertown.

Preferred memorials are to Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Turner

AUBURN — Mary A. Turner, 76, died Sunday in her Auburn home.

She had retired after serving as the first bailiff for DeKalb Superior Court under Judge Charles Quinn from 1976 to 1986. She was a 1940 graduate of South Side High School in Fort Wayne and a member of the DeKalb County Republican Women's Club.

Mrs. Turner was born March 13, 1922, in Peru, Ind., to the late Owen and Hazel (Watkins) Thompson.

She married Don R. Turner, who preceded her in death in 1956.

Surviving her are two sons, David R. of Hamilton Lake and Jeffrey L. of Auburn; one daughter, Patti J. Graham of Schererville, Ind.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One brother, Paul I. Thompson, and one sister, Lillian Clouser, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 3-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church, with calling after 1:30 p.m. The Rev. J. wilbur Yates will officiate. Burial will take place in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the YMCA of DeKalb County, 306 N. Main St., Auburn IN 46706.

Callie Cluster

WATERLOO — Callie V. Cluster, 89, died Monday at 6 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Cluster was born Jan. 10, 1909, in Murfreesboro, Tenn., to the late James and Estele (Preston) Adams. Two husbands, Clarence Hill and Edward Cluster, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are two daughters, Carol Hill of Waterloo and Margaret Casebere of Butler; seven grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a stepson and his wife, Jonas "Al" and Hilda Relyea, and two brothers.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton, with the Rev. Ken Weaver officiating.There will be no calling hours.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Roxanna Morrison

ANGOLA — Roxanna I. Morrison, 75, of Angola, died Monday at 12:30 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Morrison had worked as a cook for Fremont Community Schools.

She was born April 8, 1923, in Huntertown to the late Hugh and Mary Muriel (Yager) Richey.

Surviving are three sons, Ron (and wife, Peggy) Morrison of Angola, Rick (and wife, Paula) Morrison of Kendallville, and Rod (and wife, Burna) Morrison of Angola; three grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leland, in 1982.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Thomas Smith officiating.

Burial will be at Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Hospice or the Steuben County Cancer Society.

Morris White

WATERLOO — Morris E. White, 80, died Monday at 11:05 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. White was the former personnel manager at Tokheim in Fort Wayne, worked at Waterloo Hardware and GlenMor's Plumbing & Heating in Waterloo, and was office manager at Boman & Albright in Waterloo. He was a member of the Auburn congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses and a 1935 graduate of Ashley High School. He lived in Waterloo.

He was born Oct. 31, 1917, in Steuben County to the late Orval E. and Verle (Zimmerman) White.

He married Rebbecca Lockwood on Oct. 31, 1937, in Ashley and she died Dec. 3, 1995. He married Novilla Beckner on March 1, 1997, and she survives.

Surviving him are two daughters and sons-in-law, Patsy and Kenneth Dixon of Angola, and Linda and Mark Parsell of Waterloo; three stepchildren, Tim Beckner of California, Tom Beckner of Wawaka and Debbie Rasnke of Ligonier; one brother, Max White of Angola; seven grandchildren, seven stepgrandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Bob and Don, and two sisters, June Passwater and Ruth Clark.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home by Jim Charles. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Dr. Marvin L. Gard**, 67, retired superintendent of the Fort Wayne Developmental Center, died Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Thursday in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

LAGRANGE — **Ruby Ethelyn Davis**, 88, died Sunday. No services or calling.

LAGRANGE — **Roslie Wood**, 81, died Sunday. Services at 1 p.m. Thursday in Miller Funeral Home, Middlebury, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Wednesday.

LIGONIER — **Viola Hayes**, 78, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Garrett, Ky.

The Evening Star, Wednesday, April 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Callie Cluster

WATERLOO — Callie V. Cluster, 89, died Monday at 6 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Cluster was born Jan. 10, 1909, in Murfreesboro, Tenn., to the late James and Estele (Preston) Adams. Two husbands, Clarence Hills and Edward Cluster, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are two daughters, Carol Hills of Waterloo and Margaret Casebere of Butler; seven grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a stepson and his wife, Jonas "Al" and Hilda Relyea, and two brothers.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton, with the Rev. Ken Weaver officiating.There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

ROME CITY — **Pauline F. Townsend**, 74, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., April 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Maurice Lowe

ANGOLA — Maurice J. Lowe, 81, of Angola, died at 2 a.m. Wednesday in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Lowe, a 1935 graduate of Metz High School, served in the Army's 354th Infantry Regiment during World War II. He was a member of the Angola Veterans of Foreign Wars, George Anspaugh Post 7205; an honorary member of the Orland Lions Club; and attended Flint United Methodist Church.

He served as Jackson Township trustee for 17 years and resided in Angola for 50 years. He worked as a self-employed carpenter.

He was born March 5, 1917, in Butler to the late Frances Dessie (Rummel) and Melva Day Lowe.

On Aug. 8, 1970, he married Ramona May (Snyder) Lowe, who survives at home.

Also surviving are three sons, Harold Lowe of LaGrange, Allan Lowe of Howe, and Roger Lowe of Butler; two daughters, Bonnie Pairan and Nancy McKee, both of Angola; a stepson, Keith "Shorty" Mortorff of Angola; two stepdaughters, Judy Weaver of Angola and Linda Fulton of Fremont; two brothers, Billy Lowe of North Adams, Mich., and Dale Lowe of Ashley; and three sisters, Annabelle Pocock and Virginia Demorest, both of Angola, and Phyllis Nall of Knoxville, Tenn.; and several grandchildren and three stepgrandchilden.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Gertrude Lowe, on Nov. 1, 1954; his second wife, Margaret Lowe, in 1968; four brothers, Richard Lowe in 1995, Edgar Lowe in 1998, Kenneth Lowe in 1991, and Grover Lowe in 1983; a sister, Doris Carol Lowe, in 1933; and a granddaughter.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with a memorial service at 6:30 by the Orland Lions Club.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. Glenda Woodcox of Mount Zion Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be at Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola, with military graveside rites by VFW Post 7205.

Howard Ervin

ELKHART — Howard H. Ervin, 96, died Tuesday at 6:10 p.m. in Valley View Healthcare Center.

Mr. Ervin spent most of his working years in Garrett, as a conductor for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He retired in 1966 after 45 years of service.

He was born Sept. 19, 1901, in DeKalb County to the late Perry and Brittie (Kniss) Ervin.

His first wife, Mary E. Ervin, died in 1980. He married Pearl M. Hager on Feb. 23, 1982, in Sebring, Fla., and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, William H. of Chicago; one daughter, Thais Muzzillo of LaGrange; one stepdaughter, Mary Jane Miller of Elkhart; four grandsons, three stepgrandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and three stepgreat-grandsons.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in Billings Funeral Home, Elkhart, with calling after 10 a.m. Pastor Raymond P. Laborde of McCoy Memorial Baptist Church in Elkhart will officiate.

A graveside service will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, at 3 p.m. Friday.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association or United Cancer Services of Elkhart County.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **David E. Hill**, 55, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Ferman Hilkey

FORT WAYNE — Ferman "Rex" Hilkey Jr., 71, died Wednesday at Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

He was an engineer at Navistar for 33 years and lived in Fort Wayne. He was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of the Roanoke American Legion Post. He was born in Highland Park, Mich.

Surviving are his wife, Carol Hilkey; one son, Lance Hilkey of Hamilton, Va.; one daughter, Sheryce Quinn of Sharpley, Del.; one sister, Garciel Fee of Auburn; one brother, Richard Hilkey of Auburn; and one grandchild.

He was preceded in death by Ferman C. Hilkey, Vera Buss Hilkey and Emogene Hilkey Vian.

A memorial service will be conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. in Aboite Lutheran Church, 10312 Aboite Center Road. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

Covington Memorial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Rita Tombaugh

ANGOLA — Rita J. Tombaugh, 60, of Angola died at 4:20 p.m. Wednesday at her home.

Mrs. Tombaugh had resided in Angola for eight years after moving from Fort Wayne. She was a senior account administrator at Essex Wire, Fort Wayne.

She was a member of the Angola Calvary Lutheran Church.

She was born May 20, 1937, in Hoagland to Ludolph and Malinda (Horman) Scheuman.

In 1984, she married Larry Tombaugh, who survives at home.

Also surviving are her mother, two daughters, Dana Davis of Florence, Ky., and Erin Mickelini of Fort Wayne; a step-son, Terry Tombaugh of Fort Wayne; four brothers, Maurice Scheumann of Hoagland, Karl Scheumann of Fort Wayne, Dennis Scheumann of New Haven, and Thomas Scheumann of Decatur; five sisters, Barbara Woebbeking of Gladbrook, Iowa, Phyllis Ruhl and Kathy Meyer, both of New Haven, Ruth Watters of Medfield, Mass., and Lynnda Wilson of Monroeville; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Saturday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, and 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday at Hockmeyer-Miller Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Services are 10 a.m. Monday at Messiah Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, with the Rev. Donald Myers officiating. Burial will be at Concordia Lutheran Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Preferred memorials are to the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center, Concordia Lutheran High School of Fort Wayne, and Worship for Shut-Ins of Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Mary Jane Cotterly Clugston**, 94, died Sunday. Graveside services at a later date.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Dorothy Elizabeth Roe**, 81, died Wednesday. Services at 8 p.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 6-8 p.m. Saturday.

The Evening Star, Sat., May 2, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Ambrose Haley Jr.

LAGRANGE — Ambrose (Bruce) Haley Jr., 73, of LaGrange, died at 11:10 p.m. Monday in his home.

He was born in Fort Wayne on July 14, 1924, to Ambrose Sr. and Vallie (Birge) Haley.

Mr. Haley served in the military 17 years and received the Bronze Star. He was a self-employed barber in Ann Arbor, Mich., and a retired purchasing agent for LaGrange Hospital in LaGrange. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Wawaka, and American Legion Post 215 in LaGrange.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Clem (Dorothy) Leffers Jr. of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Clem (Norma) Grabner of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Marion (Mary Lou) Franks of Kendallville; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will begin at 1 p.m. Monday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange. Burial will be in Orange Cemetery, Rome City.

Visitation is from 2-4 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Mon., May 4, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Dakota Rathburn

AUBURN — Dakota Forrest Rathburn, 21 months old, died Thursday at 2:10 p.m. in Phoenix Children's Hospital in Phoenix, Ariz., following a swimming pool accident.

He was born July 9, 1996, in Auburn to Terra Rathburn of Auburn and Dion Gonzales of Garrett, who survive.

Rathburn

Also surviving him are his grandparents, Julie and Larry Chapman of Auburn, Mark Rathburn of Angola, Ruben and Cheryl Gonzales of Garrett, and Karen and Reynold Jerome of Yuma, Ariz.; his great-grandparents, Alan and Ann LaRowe of Auburn, Margaret Gonzales of Auburn, Antonio and Ernestine Gonzales of Waterloo, Helen Fugate of Auburn and Clarence Fugate of Auburn; and his great-great-grandparents, Vernon and Nellie Wiseman, Mildred Scott and Mable Hogan, all of Auburn.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Al Fugate officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Garnet Kelley

GARRETT — Garnet B. Kelley, 87, died Sunday at 10:45 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mrs. Kelley was a homemaker and formerly lived on South Lee Street in Garrett. She also lived for many years in the Muncie area. She was a member of the Democrat Women's Clubs of both DeKalb and Delaware counties.

She was born Dec. 9, 1910, in Kokomo to the late William and Daisy (Cowell) Leicht.

She married Chester E. Kelley on Jan. 22, 1931, and he died in 1989.

Surviving her are three daughters and sons-in-law, LeAnna J. Kelley-Hood and Lyle Hood of Ponce Inlet, Fla., Sharon Lee and Larry Long of Muncie; and MaryEtta and Allen Zartman of Garrett; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Four brothers and six sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Garrett Church of the Nazarene, with calling after 10 a.m. Dr. William Hodge will officiate. Burial will be Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Crown Point Cemetery, Kokomo.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Garrett Church of the Nazarene, Gideons International or the American Diabetes Association.

Martha Gradeless

FORT WAYNE — Martha E. Gradeless, 89, died Saturday at 6 p.m. in Towne House Health Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Gradeless was a homemaker and formerly lived in Garrett before moving to Fort Wayne last year. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Garrett.

She was born July 31, 1908, in Noble County to the late Charles and Ella (Lair) Smith.

She married Ralph A. Gradeless on Jan. 31, 1933, in Rochester, Ind., and he died March 19, 1993.

Surviving her are one daughter, Nancy Leitch of Fort Wayne; one son, Dave Gradeless of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 10 a.m. in First Baptist Church, Garrett, with calling after 9 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Dorothy Clemans

KENDALLVILLE — Dorothy J. Clemans, 81, of Kendallville, died Saturday in Lake Placid Hospital in Lake Placid, Fla.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville.

Evening Star, Mon. May 4, 1998 (cont'd)

Florence Wilson

ANGOLA — Florence Marie Wilson, 82, of Angola, died Sunday at 2:35 a.m. in Arbor Manor, Spring Arbor, Mich.

Mrs. Wilson was a homemaker and a member of the Angola Christian Church and the Francis Elliott Clark Music Club.

She was born in Orland Aug. 4, 1915, to the late Benjamin Franklin and Elsie (Marsh) Collins.

In 1936, she married Herman A. Wilson, who preceded her in death on Feb. 20, 1980.

Surviving are four sons, Phil of Angola; Roger of Lee, Mass.; Donald of Parma, Mich.; and Darl of Grand Haven, Mich.; 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, Charles and Duane Collins, and a sister, Gertrude Spade, preceded her in death.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

A funeral service will be conducted by the Rev. Mike Hamm Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Angola Christian Church.

Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Woodrow Melchi

ANGOLA — Woodrow Melchi, 79, of Angola, died Friday at 5:15 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Melchi had worked as a quality engineer at Dana Corp. for 25 years.

He was born Aug. 6, 1918, in Leo to the late Nathan and Mary (Shaw) Melchi.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Dorothy, at home; a son, James Melchi of Angola; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services for the family are pending.

Memorial donations may be made to a cancer or heart fund.

Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **OK Lunger III**, 40, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **John William Kauffman**, 80, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Saturn Christian Church, Columbia City. Calling there 2-8 p.m. Tuesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

COLUMBIA CITY — **James Robertson Barron**, 80, died Sunday. Services at 1:30 a.m. Thursday in Roanoke. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, and 9:30 a.m. until services Thursday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Floyd Ferguson**, 94, died Sunday. Services at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, with calling there 2-5 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **William G. Forbing**, 71, died Sunday. Services are pending for Wednesday in St. John Fisher Catholic Church, with calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Tom Mungovan Funeral Home, 2221 S. Calhoun St.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Lester Hinen**, 75, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Ted Hasselman

HAMILTON — Ted V. Hasselman, 50, of Hamilton, died Sunday at 4:50 p.m. in Angola.

Mr. Hasselman, a farmer, was a graduate of Angola High School and attended the Alvarado United Methodist Church.

He was born July 25, 1947, in Garrett to Howard and Margaret (Vincent) Hasselman. His mother survives at Pleasant Lake.

Also surviving are two brothers, Tom (and wife, Cathy) Hasselman of Angola, and Tim (and wife, Penny) Hasselman of Angola; three nieces and one nephew.

His father preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday at Alvarado United Methodist Church, 8045 E. 500-S, Steuben County, with the Rev. Richard Doenges officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to Alvarado United Methodist Church, the Ronald McDonald House of Indiana and the Indiana Organ Procurement Organization.

Mary Martz

KENDALLVILLE — Mary L. Martz, 96, of Kendallville, died at 1:07 p.m. Monday in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home, Kendallville.

She was born in Pulaski, Va., Aug. 30, 1901, to John and Sally (Dickens) Collins. On June 10, 1920, in Albion, she married Walter "Jack" Martz. He preceded her in death Sept. 21, 1987.

Mrs. Martz, a homemaker, moved to Kendallville in 1913 and was a member of First Christian Church.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Madelynne and Joseph Parker of Kendallville; two brothers, James Collins of Fort Wayne, and William Alport of Carmichael, Calif.; three grandchildren, Nancy and Verlin Lung of Kendallville, Thomas and Kathy Kemerly of Nashville, Ind., and Kay and Gregory Snapp of El Paso, Texas; six great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Thomas Clothier officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Humane Society of Noble County.

Dorothy Clemans

KENDALLVILLE — Dorothy J. Clemans, 81, of Kendallville, died Saturday in Lake Placid Hospital, Lake Placid, Fla., following a two-week illness.

She was born June 2, 1916, to Fred and Vesta Muesing. On Dec. 29, 1936, in Brimfield, she married James W. Clemans. He preceded her in death on Jan. 26, 1977.

Mrs. Clemans, a homemaker and farm wife, was a member of Wayne Center United Methodist Church and Wayne Township Extension Homemakers' Club.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Carol and David Swogger of Corunna; a son, James Clemans of Kendallville; two grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Swogger and Larry and Denise Hooks, all of Wolcottville; and three great-grandchildren.

Three brothers, Ronald, Carl and Floyd Muesing, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Phil Abram officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Wayne Center United Methodist Church or Zion Lutheran Church Anniversary Fund.

Area Deaths

HUNTERTOWN — **Jesse H. "Doc" Shultz**, 83, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today and one hour before services Wednesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Mary L. Martz**, 96, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Hite Funeral Home with calling there 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., May 6, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Merry Zuver

MONTPELIER, Ohio — Merry M. Zuver, 84, died today at 4 a.m. in her Maplehurst Avenue home following a lingering illness.

A member of the Montpelier Eagles Auxiliary and the Pythian Sisters Lodge, she retired in 1968 after 11 years of employment with the Mendelson Egg Company in West Unity, Ohio. She previously was employed for a number of years with Superior Carbon Co. in West Unity. She was a published poet and had lived in Montpelier since age 4.

Mrs. Zuver was born Dec. 25, 1913, in DeKalb County to the late Ada (Fisher) and Jay Grear.

She married Ray "Deke" Zuver on Oct. 18, 1930, and he preceded her in death on March 4, 1967.

Surviving her are four sons, Ray of Alvordton, Ohio, Maurice of Osseo, Mich., Jack of Pioneer, Ohio, and Ken of West Unity; two daughters, Janice Humbarger and Vivian Reed, both of Montpelier; three sisters, Marjorie Mettert and Evelyn Mettert, both of Auburn and Alice Grear of Ashley; 21 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, one great-grandson, four stepgrandchildren and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by an infant son, Gary; two grandsons, Allen Zuver and Michael Tingle; a great-granddaughter, Jodi Zuver; five brothers, Ellsworth, Donald, Paul, Richard and Robert Grear; and two sisters, Gertrude Utley and Edna Carpenter.

Friends may call Friday from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Wilson-Geesey Funeral Home in Montpelier.

Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with the Rev. Don Ramsey officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Montpelier.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners' Children's Hospitals, Montpelier See & Do Club, or Hospice-The Caring Way of Williams and Fulton Counties.

Donald D. Stantz

BUTLER — Donald D. Stantz, 80, died Monday at 5:05 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Stantz retired from Messenger Corp. in Auburn in 1982.

He was born Nov. 2, 1917, to Corvin and Rosella Stantz. He married Zelma Oberlin on Feb. 7, 1943, in Butler. She died Jan. 17, 1997. A daughter, Judith Nelson, also preceded him in death.

Surviving him are three grandsons, Brian Nelson of Hamilton, David Nelson of Fremont and Rick Nelson of Bronson, Mich; a granddaughter, Chris Ross of Fremont; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will take place Thursday at 2 p.m. in the H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Thursday.

Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

The Evening Star, Thurs., May 7, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Annabel Smith

WATERLOO — Annabel L. Smith, 74, died Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She retired as a ward clerk at DeKalb Memorial Hospital with 17 years of service. She lived on County Road 47, Waterloo, and was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church. She was a former member of the Wilmington Township Home Demonstration Club.

Mrs. Smith was born July 1, 1923, in Helmer to the late Lawrence and Daisy (Van Pelt) Deetz.

She married Leonard W. Smith on June 28, 1941, in the Waterloo United Brethren Church, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Philip E. of Butler and Craig A. of Waterloo; one daughter, Carolyn Sue Jackson of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Keith Deetz of South Milford and DeWan Deetz of Auburn; six grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will take place Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Waterloo United Methodist Church, with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

There will be no calling. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Home Health Service, in care of DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Martin Luke

ALBION — Martin A. Luke, 65, of Albion, died at 9:50 a.m. Wednesday in his residence.

He was born June 13, 1932, to Harold and Audra (Word) Luke. His father preceded him in death. His mother survives in Kendallville. He married Pearl Friskney on June 17, 1950, in Mt. Pleasant Church, Albion. She preceded him in death Dec. 26, 1988. On June 10, 1989, in Wawaka, he married Sondra Cunningham, who survives.

Mr. Luke had lived in Albion since 1955, coming from Kendallville. He was a retired mechanic, farmer and part-owner of Truelove Bros. in Albion. He was past president of the Brimfield Lions Club, and had been a square dancer and square dance caller for more than 50 years. He was a member of Albion Eagles Lodge, and the Noble County Gas & Steam Association and had been 4-H tractor maintenance leader for 26 years.

Surviving with his wife and mother are a son and daughter-in-law, William E. Sr. and Dawn Luke of Avilla; three daughters and sons-in-law, Sherry E. and Talt Caudill of Kendallville, Cindy L. and Robert Hippensteel of Albion, and Sally A. and Dan Riecke of LaOtto; a stepson and his wife, Jeff and Laura Cunningham of Wawaka; a stepdaughter and her husband, Vickie and Mark Musselman of Wawaka; 14 grandchildren, William Luke Jr. and James Luke, both of Albion, Kimberly Luke, Justin Luke and Laurel Luke, all of Avilla, Chris Caudill, Joshua Caudill and Megan Caudill, all of Kendallville, Melody Hippensteel, Christina Hippensteel and Randy Hippensteel, all of Albion, and Michelle Riecke and Nicholus Riecke, both of LaOtto; a stepgrandchild, Stacy Musselman of Wawaka; and two great-grandchildren, Blake Luke and Gregg Luke of Albion.

Also surviving are three brothers and sisters-in-law, Robert and Kate Luke of Fort Wayne, Dean and Isabel Luke of Ashley, and George and Barbara Luke of Albuquerque, N.M.; and a sister and brother-in-law, Marilyn and Hoke Buckley of Quincy, Mich.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with the Rev. Edna Wildey officiating. Burial will be in Sweet Cemetery, Albion.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. today and 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Noble County 4-H Building Fund or Hospice of Northeastern Indiana.

Evening Star, Thurs., May 7, 1998 (cont'd)

Charles Link

AVILLA — Charles T. Link, 86, died April 30 at 8:10 a.m. in the Auburn Health Care Center.

Mr. Link was a nuclear engineer for the Atomic Energy Commission in New Mexico. He lived in Avilla for 10 years and previously lived in Pittsburgh, Pa. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla.

He was born May 28, 1911, in Garrett to the late Tudor and Johanna Istrate.

He married Mary Ann Collins on July 15, 1940, in Cleveland, and she preceded him in death.

Surviving him are two daughters, Charla A. Short of McGraw, N.Y., and Susan K. Link of Pittsburgh; one niece, Virginia Davis of Garrett; and four grandchildren, Brian Short of Pennsylvania, Justin Short of California, and Christy and Patrick Link, both of Georgia.

He was preceded in death by one son, David; one brother, Jack, and one sister, Johanna Miladin.

There will be no calling or services. Burial will take place at a later date in Jefferson Memorial Cemetery in Pittsburgh.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Auburn Health Care Center.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Warren Berry

BUTLER — Warren P. Berry, 65, died Wednesday at 5:30 a.m. in his Butler home.

Mr. Berry retired from Dana Corp. in Auburn in 1988 with 30 years of service. He was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church. He was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving from 1949 to 1954.

He was born Aug. 21, 1932, in Clinton, to the late James T. and Ruth (Lacy) Berry.

He married Zelma Ashbaugh on Jan. 27, 1961, in Van Wert, Ohio, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Warren Jr. of Garrett and Mark of Newville; two daughters, Loretta Poe of Ragland, Ala., and Toni Westbrook of Butler; three sisters, Edith Daves of Las Vegas, Nev., Lottie Cracraft of Auburn and Betty JoAnn Eicher of Waterloo; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Bobby Dale; one daughter, Tamara Kay; four brothers, James, Robert, Albert and John; and two grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Dale Rabineau of Christ's Church, Butler, officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association or to the family.

Elizabeth Brown

ANGOLA — Elizabeth Brown, 85, of Angola, died Wednesday at 7:53 a.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

She and her late husband had owned the Pow-Wow Point Campground at Crooked Lake.

She was born Dec. 8, 1912, in Portland, Ore., to the late Gabriel and Sara (Arggelan) Dobra.

Surviving are a stepdaughter, Mary Ellen Koon of Sturgis, Mich.; a goddaughter, Nancy Tyler of Hampton, Va.; three stepgrandchildren and four stepgreat-grandchildren; two sisters, Esther Cziraky of Wickliff, Ohio, and Julia Dobra of Winter Springs, Fla.; and four brothers, Mike and George Dobra of Big Sandy, Tenn., William Dobra of Marysville, Calif., and Edward Dobra of Burton, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Earl, in 1980, and a son, William in 1962.

Calling and services took place today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with the Rev. Scott Shoaff officiating. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Support Group of Steuben County.

Deaths/Funerals

Mervin Conine

BUTLER — Mervin V. Conine, 86, died Thursday at 8:15 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Conine was self-employed his entire working life. He served in the U.S. Navy, graduating first in his class. He was discharged in 1943. and was a member of the American Legion post in Hicksville, Ohio.

He was born Dec. 30, 1911, in Defiance County, Ohio, to Wayne and Iva (Banks) Conine.

He married Glenis Osmun on June 27, 1936, in Avilla. She survives him.

Also surviving are one son, Larry, of Hicksville; one brother, Norval, of Spencerville; one granddaughter, Candy Van Lile, Auburn; two great-grandsons; two stepgrandchildren, Tracy Champion of Fort Wayne and Jeff Champion of Goshen; and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Doris Redding and Lucille Nelson, and an infant son, Jerry Conine.

Friends may call at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville, Ohio, Friday after 1 p.m. (Indiana time) and Saturday after 8 a.m. (Indiana time).

Services will be conducted in the funeral home Saturday at 2:30 p.m. (Indiana time) with the Rev. Art Ferry Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church in Garrett, officiating. Burial will be in the Newville Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to Hospice of DeKalb County.

Charles Stevenson

ANGOLA — Charles L. Stevenson, 91, of Angola, died Thursday at 1:25 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Stevenson graduated from Albion High School and Purdue University. He worked as a self-employed electrical contractor and owned The Blueberry Farm on County Road 100-North in Angola. He was a member and elder of the Angola Christian Church and a board member of the Lake James Christian Assembly.

He resided in Angola for several years.

He was born Feb. 24, 1907, in Port Huron, Mich., to the late John A. and Nellie (Wilks) Stevenson.

Surviving are three sons, Larry, David and Michael Stevenson, all of Angola; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mildred Smith of Churubusco.

He was preceded in death on June 19, 1997, by his wife and partner, Mabel L. Stevenson, whom he married on Feb. 24, 1933.

Also preceding him in death were two brothers, Bruce and Russell Stevenson; and two sisters, Hazel Haffner and Florence Parker.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe and the Rev. Robert Knowlton officiating. Burial will be in Powers Cemetery, York Township, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola Christian Church and the Lake James Christian Assembly.

Beverly Phelps

MANSFIELD, Ohio — Beverly Patrice Phelps, 84, of Mansfield, Ohio, died April 21, in MedCentral/Mansfield Hospital.

She was born April 26, 1913, in St. Joe, to Walter Glen and Lois Merle Morris Wineland. She had lived in Mansfield since 1946.

She is survived by six daughters, Beverly Jeanne (and husband Jack) Jones of Indianapolis, Carol June Amstutz of Lexington, Ohio, Sally Joanne King of Mansfield, Ohio, Nancy Sue McClellan of Columbus, Ohio, Donna Lou Rathburn of Carlsbad, Calif., and Judith Patrice Schneider of Mansfield; a daughter-in-law, Mary Scudere Phelps of Columbus, Ohio; 25 grandchildren, 42 great grandchildren and 12 great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Merle R. Phelps, and two sons, Warren Sutherdon and B. Duane Phelps.

Private services were conducted for the family.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Martha J. Streby**, 72, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Garland 'Bud' Derbyshire

ANGOLA — Garland G. "Bud" Derbyshire, 82, of Angola, died Friday at 8:58 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Derbyshire was a machinist at Dana Weatherhead Co. in Angola, retiring in 1978. He was an Army sergeant in World War II, and was a member of Angola American Legion Post 31, American Legion Post 7205 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He was born Nov. 18, 1915, in Yorktown to the late Clyde and Myrtie Estes Derbyshire.

On Oct. 15, 1945, he married Eleonora (Guarducci) Derbyshire, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Garland N. "Bud" Derbyshire and Daniel Derbyshire, both of Angola; a daughter, Ann Sanders of Angola; a sister, Edith Garrison of Muncie; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. Robert Staup officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations to the American Cancer Society are preferred.

Robert Bryan Jr.

ANGOLA — Robert C. Bryan Jr., 64, died Friday at 7:10 a.m. at his rural Angola home.

Mr. Bryan was employed by Glastec in Middlebury, retiring in 1988. He formerly was a self-employed stone mason. He had 20 years of sobriety with Alcoholics Anonymous.

He was born May 14, 1933, in Angola to the late Robert C. Bryan and Lucille Rodgers Bryan, who survives him.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Lou (Kunce) Bryan, whom he married May 4, 1952.

Also surviving are three daughters, Deborah Saxton of Temecula, Calif., Merry C. Bryan of Fremont, and Melody Lynn Bryan of Kendallville; two brothers, Don E. Bryan, of Coldwater, Mich., and Richard R. Bryan of Ogden, Utah; two sisters, Ruth I. Mitchell of Angola and Patricia A. Bryan of Coldwater, Mich.; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

There will be no calling. Memorial services will be conducted at a later date. Cremation will take place at Northern Indiana Crematory on Sunday. Arrangements are being made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Cameron Home Health Care & Hospice or to the Steuben County Cancer Society.

Dale Ordway

FREMONT — Dale H. Ordway, 66, of Fremont, died Thursday at 9:56 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Ordway, a farmer, was a member of York United Methodist Church.

He was born Feb. 6, 1952, in Continental, Ohio, to the late Evan and Francis (Corkwell) Ordway.

On Feb. 6, 1952, he married Clara (Jewett) Ordway, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Roger Ordway of Angola, and Jim Ordway of Fremont; eight daughters, Connie Southard of Fishers, Cathie Dunham of Tuscon, Ariz., Cindy Broome of Greenbrier, Tenn., Cheryl Sink of Chandler, Ariz., Carol Evertts, Candy Gleason and Jennifer Ames, all of Fremont, and Christine Field of Jonesboro, Ark.; 19 grandchildren; a sister, Irene Ordway of Mount Prospect, Ill.; and a brother, Gary Ordway of Continental, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Charlene; and a grandson, Jeremy Fisher.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-8:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. Richard Doenges officiating. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery.

Donald Schneider

FREMONT — Donald L. Schneider, 80, of Fremont, died Thursday at 8:19 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Schneider, an Army veteran of World War II, was a farmer.

He was born Aug. 22, 1917, in Sandusky County, Ohio, to the late Dewey and Freda (Sandrock) Schneider.

His wife of 54 years, Maxine (Conway) Schneider, survives at home.

He was preceded in death by two daughters, Bonnie and Sheila Lynn Schneider.

Graveside services will begin at 2 p.m. today in Jamestown Cemetery, Fremont, with the Rev. Carl Lott officiating. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Luther Blickenstaff

ELLENTON, Fla. — Luther B. Blickenstaff, 84, died May 1 at Manatee Memorial Hospital in Bradenton, Fla.

Mr. Blickenstaff retired as a pattern maker in 1977 after many years of service at Pontiac Motors and job shops in Michigan.

He was born June 2, 1913, in North Manchester to the late Alvah and Blanche (Shriver) Blickenstaff.

He married Florence Sherer on Jan. 4, 1947, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Richard D. "Denny" Blickenstaff and Gary L. Blickenstaff, both of Auburn, and Terry Sherer of Rochester, Mich.; one daughter, Patricia Lee of Waynesville, Mo.; two brothers, C.W. "Red" and Arvin S. of Hamilton; two sisters, Kathryn Brandon of Auburn and Audrey Corkwell of Lakeland, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday at Kicliter Funeral Home in Palmetto, Fla.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Henrietta A. Stoneburner**, 82, of Kendallville, died Friday at 12:51 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. Friends may call Sunday between 4-8 p.m., and Monday between 10-11 a.m. at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville. Funeral services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Steven Cope

FREMONT — Steven P. Cope Sr., 44, of Fremont, died Friday at 5:30 p.m. at The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mr. Cope was an attendant at Jack's 76 Station in Fremont. He was a lifelong Steuben County resident.

He was born Feb. 12, 1954, in Angola to Ronald and Jane (Mason) Cope. His father preceded him in death. His mother survives in Fremont.

Also surviving are four sons, Steven Cope Jr. and Christopher Cope, both of Fremont, Nicholas Cope of Angola, and Ronald Cope of Tennessee; three brothers, Michael Cope of Fremont, Larry Cope of Angola, and Andy Cope of Allen, Mich.; two sisters, Carol Fee and Kelli Pagley, both of Hamilton; and a grandchild.

Service arrangements are pending at Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the family in care of June (Mason) Cope, 2675 E. 300-N, Fremont.

Hubert Simon

SYRACUSE — Hubert Maxwell Simon, 83, of Syracuse, died Friday in Byron Health Center, Fort Wayne.

He was a native of Goshen and retired from Syracuse Rubber Co.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Reeve of Cromwell; three sons, Robert Simon of Syracuse, Richard Simon of Angola, and Larry Simon of Cromwell; two sisters, Lois Gilbert of Milford, and Mary Halsey of Kimmell; eight grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elnora, in 1990.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse. Burial will be in Syracuse Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Syracuse Church of the Brethren.

Eunice Jenkins

PLEASANT LAKE — Eunice Mae Jenkins, 75, of Pleasant Lake, died Saturday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Jenkins was a homemaker, a past matron and secretary of Jacob Eby Chapter 571 of West Carrollton, Ohio; a member of the Pleasant Lake Past Matrons Club; a member of Mount Zion United Methodist Church and the Ladies Aide of the church; and a member of the Northern Indiana Emmaus Community.

She was born May 22, 1922, in Louisville to the late Percy and Nina (Lahue) Allen.

On March 15, 1941, she married Clyde Jenkins, who survives at home. Also surviving are a daughter, Saundra Kay Penrod of Pleasant Lake; three brothers, Bob Allen of Jeffersonville, Paul Allen of Palmyra, and Joe Allen of Marengo; four sisters, Fern Alexander of Jeffersonville, Anna Apple of Orleans, and Bonnie Jones and Betty Breeding of Marengo; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Carolyn Sue Jenkins; and three brothers, Bill Allen, Everett Allen and Richard Allen.

Friends may call Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, and Tuesday from 6-9 p.m. at Dillman & Green Funeral Home, Marengo.

The Ashley chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will conduct an Eastern Star service at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Weicht Funeral Home.

Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Dillman & Green Funeral Home, Marengo. Burial will be in Pilot Knob Cemetery at Milltown.

Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Association and the Mount Zion United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Mabel Guthrie

ALBION — Mabel A. Guthrie, 93, died at 11:30 a.m. Saturday in Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

She was born in Noble Township, Noble County on Oct. 27, 1904, to Albert L. and Mary (Huff) Addis. On Sept. 13, 1930, in Ligonier, she married Dale Guthrie, who preceded her in death Sept. 9, 1971.

A lifetime Noble County resident, Mrs. Guthrie was a retired hair dresser and beauty shop owner for 55 years. She was a charter member of the Noble County Hair Dressers Association and was an avid fisherman.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. James (Linda) McCoy of Albion; three sons, Lynn Guthrie of Indianapolis, Duane Guthrie of Albion, and Jack Guthrie of Kendallville; a sister, Edna Wood of Auburn; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Lucille DeCamp; and a brother, Lawrence Addis.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Albion, with the Rev. Ann Marshall officiating. Burial will be in Merriam Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. today in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, and one hour before services at the church on Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Evening Star, Mon. May 11, 1998 (cont'd)

J. Marie DeVore

MONTPELIER, Ohio — J. Marie DeVore, 92, died late Friday evening in Evergreen Manor Nursing Home, Montpelier, where she had resided the past two years.

Mrs. DeVore was a homemaker and longtime Montpelier resident.

She was born June 27, 1905, in Butler to the late Gazzetta May (Campbell) and Clyde E. Souder.

Her husband, Linioial A. "Bill" DeVore, preceded her in death on Aug. 24, 1979.

Surviving her are two great-nephews, Dennis Kimpel of Goshen and Kenneth Kimpel of Columbia City.

She was preceded in death by one niece, Berdena Kimpel, in May 1996 and one brother, Loren B. Souder.

Friends may call today from 6-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Thompson Funeral Home, Montpelier.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at noon (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with the Rev. Robert Damschroder officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice, or Cancer Assistance of Williams County.

Area Deaths

HUNTERTOWN — **Merritt W. Sauder**, 85, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Tuesday.

LIGONIER — **Barbara A. Minier**, 75, died Sunday. Graveside services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Salem Cemetery, north of Ligonier. No calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Loretta Bandt

LAKE PLACID, Fla. — Loretta Bandt, 85, died Saturday at Lake Placid Health Care Center.

Mrs. Bandt and her husband owned and operated Burger's IGA grocery store in Auburn. She moved from Auburn to Lake Placid in 1994.

She was born April 23, 1913, in Fort Wayne.

Surviving her are her husband, Walter of Lake Placid; one son, David of Applegate, Mich.; a daughter, Jeannine Seedorff of Fort Wayne; four sisters, Louise Tinsley of Fort Wayne, Marcella Berkey of Lake Placid, Bernice Loftus of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Bernadine Leiter of Warsaw; three brothers, Herman of Johnson City, Tenn., and Otto and William, both of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Scott Funeral Home in Lake Placid, Fla., is in charge of arrangements.

Alma Havens

AUBURN — Alma Boto Havens, 80, died Monday at her son's home in Porter, Ind.

Mrs. Havens was a homemaker and lived in Auburn from 1964 until August 1997, when she moved to Porter. She was a member of Lakewood Park Baptist Church and a 1936 graduate of Horace Mann High School in Gary.

She was born April 23, 1918, in Holdon County, W.Va., to the late Louis and Julia (Mouldvan) Boto.

She married Milford W. Havens on Oct. 12, 1940, in Gary, and he died in 1990.

Surviving her are four sons, Alvin L. Havens of Porter, Gary W. Havens of Edina, Minn., William Milford Boto Havens of Denver, Colo., and Timothy J. Boto Havens of Savannah, Ga.; one daughter, Ruth E. Portugal of Shelton, Wash.; two brothers, Louis Boto of Baytown, Texas, and Augustine Boto of Dallas, Texas; one sister, Irene Hott of North Brook, Ill.; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Two sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 6-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. at Lakewood Park Baptist Church, with calling after noon. The Rev. Wayne Smith will officiate, with burial in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Lakewood Park Christian School or the church.

Area Deaths

ELKHART — **Jeffrey F. Williams**, 21, of Elkhart, died Sunday at 9:43 p.m. at Vencor Hospital LaGrange of injuries suffered in a LaGrange County car-buggy collision. He was a spring degree candidate at Tri-State University in Angola. Calling at Billings Funeral Home in Elkhart Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. Services at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church in Elkhart.

FREMONT — **Steven P. Cope Sr.**, 44, of Fremont, died Friday in Butler. Memorial graveside services will take place at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Jamestown Cemetery.

FREMONT — **Charles W. Neutz**, 83, of Fremont, died Monday in Angola. Calling 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Services 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Betty Jane Lung**, 74, died Sunday. Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Hackman-Foglesong Funeral Home, Sturgis, Mich., with calling there today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Deaths/Funerals

Mildred Wilcox

FREMONT — Mildred I. Wilcox, 81, of Fremont, died Wednesday at home.

Mrs. Wilcox was a homemaker and a member of TOPS, Mill Ponders and Friendship Club.

She was born Feb. 12, 1917, in Fort Wayne to the late John and Mary VonderAu Birchman. She was married to Virgil Wilcox, who preceded her in death.

Surviving are two sons, William (and wife Sharon) Wilcox of Angola, and John (and wife Madonna) Wilcox of Fremont; a sister, Catherine Ernsberger of Fremont; a brother, Paul Birchman of Angola; 17 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at the Beams Funeral Home in Fremont.

Services will take place Friday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Rodger Strong officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Orland Nazarene Church or to CompreCare Home Health Services.

Robert Bryan Jr.

ANGOLA — Robert C. Bryan Jr., 64, of Angola, died Friday at 7:10 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Bryan was employed by Glastec in Middlebury and retired in 1988. He formerly was a self-employed stone mason. He had 20 years of sobriety with AA.

He was born May 14, 1933, in Angola to Robert C. and Lucille (Rodgers) Bryan. His mother survives. His father preceded him in death.

On May 4, 1952, he married Bonnie Lou (Kunce) Bryan, who survives at home.

Also surviving are four sons, Robert C. Bryan III of Fremont, James K. Bryan of Angola, Kenneth A. Bryan of Angola, and Scott W. Bryan of Kendallville; three daughters, Deborah Saxton of Temecula, Calif., Merry C. Bryan of Fremont, and Melody Lynn Bryan of Kendallville; two brothers, Don E. Bryan of Coldwater, Mich., and Richard R. Bryan of Ogden, Utah; 12 grandchildren and two grandchilren.

Memorial services will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday at the warming shelter, next to the toboggan slide at Pokagon State Park. Cremation was at the Northern Indiana Crematory, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Cameron Home Health Care and Hospice and the Steuben County Cancer Society.

for star and sun

Martha Golden

KIMMELL — Martha Golden, 76, died at 8:05 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

She was born March 9, 1922, in Noble County to Chester and Sylvia (Bosler) Pepple. On Dec. 7, 1941, she married Donald Golden in Noble County. He preceded her in death in 1969.

Mrs. Golden, a lifetime area resident, was a 1940 graduate of Garrett High School.

Surviving are a son, Roger Golden of Girard, Ill.; a brother, George Pepple of Auburn; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A son, Terry, a brother and three sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with the Rev. Wanda Callahan officiating. Burial will be in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier.

Calling is from 4-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home. Preferred memorials are to Kimmell Little League.

Deaths/Funerals

James Link

AUBURN — James C. Link, 57, died Thursday at 7 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Link was employed at S&B Auto Parts Store in Fort Wayne for 17 years. He lived on West Eleventh Street in Auburn.

He was born Nov. 26, 1940, in Defiance, Ohio, to the late Lloyd F. and Ruth Ann (Sawver) Link.

He married Linda Collins on Sept. 17, 1960, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Timothy, Mark and Benjamin, all of Auburn; one daughter-in-law, Cindy (Davis) Link of Auburn; one brother, Lloyd R. of Craigsville, Ind.; five sisters, Joan Perl and Carolyn Straley, both of Paulding, Ohio, Laura Link of Defiance, Bonnie Link of Celina, Ohio, and Penny Link, also of Ohio; and five grandchildren.

One son, Jeffrey L., preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jim Collins officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Martin Vincent

GARRETT — Martin E. Vincent, 80, died Tuesday at 11:43 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Vincent was a farmer and lived on West Covell Street in Garrett.

He was born April 8, 1918, in Kentucky.

He married Helen York on Dec. 28, 1974, in Evansville, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Connie Simpson of Garrett and Martha Wallis of Evansville; one son, Marvin O. Jones of Garrett; one brother, Garland Vincent of Montgomery, Tenn., five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in Sedan Cemetery, rural Corunna. There will be no calling.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Dorothy June Foster

KENDALLVILLE — Dorothy June Foster, 74, of Kendallville, died at 4:07 a.m. Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville. She had been ill five years.

She was born in Lisbon June 2, 1923, to Alfred R. and Alta M. (Leitch) Herendeen. On June 7, 1941, in Kendallville, she married Frank F. Foster. He survives.

Mrs. Foster, a graduate of Wawaka High School, was a homemaker. She was a member of Eagles Auxiliary 985, Women of the Moose 730, Kendallville, American Legion Auxiliary in Ligonier and Royal Neighbors of America.

Surviving with her husband are a daughter, Mrs. Gary (Jerilyn) Simpson of Helmer; a son and daughter-in-law, Denny and Carol Foster of Ligonier; a brother, Donald Herendeen of Goshen; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Ruth Edwards and Faye Smoots; and a brother, Dwight Herendeen.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Ken Weaver officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-9 p.m. Sunday and from 9 a.m. until services on Monday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Carl Holsinger

ASHLEY — Carl F. Holsinger, 84, died May 5 in his home in Parrish, Fla.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Florence Zonker

ASHLEY — Florence M. Zonker, 90, of Ashley, died at 5:20 p.m. Thursday in Health Central Park Nursing Home in Winter Garden, Fla.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Don Hill

ROME CITY — Don A. Hill, 79, of Rome City, died at 4:55 p.m. Thursday in Kendallville Manor Healthcare Center. He had been in failing health two weeks.

He was born in Kendallville July 27, 1918, to Vern R. and Cora (Uhl) Hill. He married his first wife, Irene Teders, on Dec. 18, 1941, and she preceded him in death July 5, 1978. On July 28, 1979, in Wolcottville, he married Helen L. (Miller) George. She survives.

Mr. Hill was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps. He had been a farmer and retired from I&M in February 1980. He was a member of American Legion Post 381 in Rome City, and VFW Post 2749 in Kendallville.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Diane Rauh of Avilla; two sons, Dennis Hill of Jennison, Mich., and James Hill of Auburn; two stepdaughters, Peggy Busch of Spooner, Wis., and Dixie Scalzo of Kendallville; 11 grandchildren; eight stepgrandchildren; and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Ruth Munse.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Avilla.

Visitation is from 1-3 p.m. Monday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Marjorie Evelyn Hively**, 87, died Thursday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. today and 5:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday.

Deaths/Funerals

Helen Bertsch

GARRETT — Helen G. Bertsch, 76, died Friday at 10 a.m. in her home at Garrett.

Mrs. Bertsch was a homemaker and worked at International Harvester Co. for 12 years and County Line Cheese Co. for five years. She was a member of UAW Local 57 Retirees, Fort Wayne.

She was born Feb. 20, 1922, in Rick Creek Township of Huntington County to Charles and Fannie (Berry) Mayne, both now deceased.

She married Robert N. Bertsch on March 23, 1946, in Goshen. He survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are two daughters, Marilynn Bond and Rhonda Bertsch, both of Garrett, and one granddaughter, Jodi Bond.

She was preceded in death by one sister and two brothers.

Private graveside services will take place Monday at Christian Union Cemetery of Garrett. There will be no calling. Feller Funeral Home of Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

Betty Fordeck

ORLAND — Betty L. Fordeck, 75, died Thursday at 9:55 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Fordeck was a physician's assistant for 30 years, retiring in 1992. She lived in Orland and formerly lived in Garrett.

She was born Jan. 18, 1923, in Collins to the late Ross and Reatha (Geiger) Egolf.

She married William Fordeck on March 15, 1942, in Bryan, Ohio, and he died in 1990.

Surviving her are one daughter, Patricia Foar of Angola; one sister, Janice Egolf of Orland; one grandchild and three great-grandchildren.

One grandchild and one great-grandchild preceded her in death.

A graveside service will be conducted today at 2 p.m. in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Garrett, will officiate. There will be no calling.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Richard D. Emerson

BRONSON, Mich. — Richard D. Emerson, 73, of Crooked Lake, Angola, and formerly of Sturgis, Mich., died Thursday at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, after a three-week illness.

He was born Sept. 7, 1924, in Bloomdale, Ohio, to Charles E. and Orpha E. (Wineland) Emerson. He married Elenora Frohriep in 1947. The marriage ended in divorce. He then married Mary Matteo on March 18, 1989, in Angola.

Mr. Emerson had owned and operated the former Emerson Cleaners (now Ludders Cleaners) in Sturgis for more than 30 years, selling the business in 1980. He then became a self-employed manufacturers' representative and was still active until his death.

He was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Angola, the Orland American Legion, the VFW, Moose, and Odd Fellows, all in Angola. He enjoyed fishing, John Wayne movies, and several years ago enjoyed playing golf.

He was a World War II Army veteran, saw action in New Guinea and the Southern Philippines and earned several commendations, including four bronze battle stars, four overseas bars and the Meritorious Unit award, among others.

Surviving are his wife, Mary; daughters and sons-in-law Martha and John Starman of White Pigeon, Mich., and Cindy and Randy Lewis of Coldwater, Mich.; stepdaughter and son-in-law Carol and Jim Fleming of Angola; stepson John Hancel of North Ridgeville, Ohio; seven grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Her was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles and Paul Emerson.

There will be no visitation. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will take place at Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, Friday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m., with theRev. Donald Meyers officiating.

Graveside interment of ashes will take place at 11 a.m. (Michigan time) on Saturday, May 23, at the Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak, Mich., with full military honors conferred by the Bronson posts of the American Legion and VFW.

Arrangements are by Kolcz Funeral Home, Bronson.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **Lawrence E. Heintzelman**, 88, of Syracuse, died Friday in Goshen General Hospital. Funeral services 10 a.m. Monday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier. Calling Sunday, 2-8 p.m.

Martha Wall

FREMONT — Martha M. Wall, 83, died Friday at 9:40 a.m. in Carlin Park Health Care Center, Angola.

Mrs. Wall was a homemaker and a cook at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn.

She was born Aug. 31, 1914, in Fort Wayne to the late John and Minnie (Hacker) Steger.

She married Dale F. Wall on Dec. 27, 1985, and he survives.

Also surviving are one sister, Tillie Grif of Monroeville; five stepgrandchildren and one niece, Emma Hoffman of Auburn.

Friends may call Monday from 4-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, with calling after 9:30 a.m. The Rev. Lloyd Bickel will officiate, with burial in Woodland Cemetery, Wolcottville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Steuben County Heart Association or Trinity Lutheran Church.

H. Ray Heffley

AUBURN — H. Ray Heffley, 78, died at 11:35 a.m. Friday at his home on County Road 43, Auburn.

A retired Union Township farmer, he was born May 22, 1919, in Union Township, to Newman and Nora (Buttermore) Heffley. On Sept. 4, 1937, he married Maxine Houser in Avilla and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Marsha Ritter of Pleasant Lake and Diane Ostheim of Orlando, Fla.; three sons, Jerry and Dennis of Auburn and David of Butler; 14 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Glenn, Ralph and Kenneth, and three sisters, Savannah Funk, Gladys Caldwell and Ruth Heffley.

Private funeral services will take place Sunday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Robert Courtney officiating. There will be no calling.

Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Child Evangelism Fellowship or Community Bible Church.

Deaths/Funerals

Medaia Sharp

BUTLER — Medaia R. Traster Sharp, 79, died Saturday at 10:10 p.m. in the Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Sharp was born Nov. 18, 1918, in Garrett to the late William and Emma (Kennedy) Stansbury.

She married Jim Sharp in 1962, in Oxford, Mich., and he died in 1983.

Surviving her are a daughter, Gloria Reddin of Garrett; one granddaughter, Wendy Hall of Garrett; one grandson, Kip Maggert of Garrett; five great-grandchildren; and one sister, Margaret Brinkman of Miami, Fla.

One daughter, Cheryl Jan, preceded her in death.

A graveside service took place today at 2 p.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr, pastor of First Baptist Church, Garrett, officiated.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, was in charge of arrangements.

Carl Holsinger

HUDSON — Carl F. Holsinger, 84, died May 5 at his home in Parrish, Fla.

He was born in Westville Nov. 12, 1913, to Ray and Elsie (Henning) Holsinger. On Nov. 3, 1934, he married Mabelle G. Gramling. She preceded him in death June 5, 1994.

Mr. Holsinger, formerly of Hudson, moved to Florida in 1979 from Montpelier, Ohio. He was a train dispatcher for more than 30 years and a member of Montpelier Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are special cousins, Harry and Lucille Holsinger of Rome City; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Richard C. Holsinger, April 26, 1980.

Memorial graveside services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Circle Cemetery, rural Hudson, with the Rev. Willard Sanders officiating.

There will be no visitation.

Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, is in charge of arrangements.

Walter Greenwood

ASHLEY — Walter L. Greenwood, 83, of Ashley, died at 10:20 p.m. Saturday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

He was born in Steuben County Dec. 17, 1914, to Glenn and Edna (Lemmon) Greenwood. On Nov. 25, 1937, in Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla, he married Martha Ellen Keck. She preceded him in death May 12, 1997.

Mr. Greenwood, a 1932 graduate of Salem Center High School, had lived in Ashley 55 years. He retired from the Teamsters in 1974. He was a member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, rural Hudson.

Surviving are three daughters and sons-in-law, Carol and John Snyder of Auburn, Sharon and Jerry Ely of Pioneer, Ohio, and Dianna and William Campbell of Wabash; seven grandchildren, Jeff Barnes, Rich Barnes, Beth Huth, Lisa Esterline, Shawn Campbell, Carrie Green and Emily Campbell; and seven great-grandchildren, Bradley Barnes, Kari Barnes, Benjamin Huth, Sarah Huth, Abigail Campbell, Zachary Campbell and Katie Platter.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Ramonda Jean Platter; a brother, Don Greenwood; and two sisters, Olive Reese and Glida Lochamire.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, rural Hudson, with the Rev. Wayne E. Rutz officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to DeKalb County Hospice or Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Florence Zongker

ASHLEY — Florence M. Zongker, 90, of Winter Garden, Fla., died at 5:20 p.m. Thursday in Health Central Park Nursing Home, Winter Garden, Fla.

He was born in Rensselaer July 17, 1907, to Sherman and Jessie (Denniston) Simonin. On Oct. 10, 1932, in Remington, she married Worthy Zongker. He preceded her in death July 14, 1960.

Mrs. Zongker moved from Rensselaer to Winter Garden in 1979. She was a homemaker and member of Calvary Baptist Church in Winter Garden.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Alan (Arlene) Easterday of Winter Garden; five sisters, Eva Ginther of Oxford, and Esther Ropp, Dorothy Malone and Ferne Peacock, all of Rensselaer, and Pauline Bailey of Sennimore, Wis.; two brothers, Robert Simonin of Medford, Ore., and Donald Simonin of Rensselaer; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with Mrs. Zongker's grandson, the Rev. William V. Easterday, officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, rural Hudson.

Christina Martin

BRYAN, Ohio — Christina Anna Marie Martin, 1 day old, died Friday at 11:25 p.m. in Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis.

Surviving are her parents, Byron and Tammy Martin of Bryan; a brother, Stuart Martin of Bryan; a sister, Cassandra Martin of Bryan; her maternal grandparents, Wenn and Kathy Knotek of Fremont; her paternal grandmother, Norma Stuart of Frankfort; and her maternal great-grandmother, Virginia Daler of Angola.

Graveside services will begin at 10 a.m. Tuesday in St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery, Waterloo, with Father Fred Pasche officiating.

Evening Star, Mon. May 18, 1998 (cont'd)

Brandilynn Curtis

FREMONT — Brandilynn Michelle Curtis, 16 days old, of Fremont, died Sunday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

She was born May 1 in Angola to James Scott Royer and Danielle Curtis, who survive at home.

Also surviving are her maternal grandparents, Debra and Barry Reese of Fremont; her maternal grandfather, Chester Curtis of Hudson; her paternal grandparents, Steve and Cheryl Harrington of Angola; and her paternal grandmother, Cindy Harrington of Moss Point, Miss.

Friends may call Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Services will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Metz.

Anita Schieber

WOLCOTTVILLE — Anita V. Schieber, 92, of Wolcottville, died Saturday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born in Corunna, and had formerly lived in Fort Wayne. She had been employed by W.T. Grant.

Surviving are her husband, Raymond; a daughter, Dixie A. Trainer of Fort Wayne; a son, Richard T. Maybee of Wolcottville; a stepdaughter, Beverly Burlington of Decatur, Ill.; a stepson, Steven Schieber of Bluffton; 16 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Covington Memorial Funeral Home, 8408 Covington Road, Fort Wayne. Entombment will be in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Mitchell Everage

STROH — Mitchell L. Everage, 43, of Stroh, died at 10 p.m. Sunday in the home of his sister. He had been ill approximately one year.

He was born in Emmalena, Ky., Sept. 2, 1954, to Daniel B. and Sadie (Godsey) Everage.

Mr. Everage moved from Kentucky to Stroh 27 years ago. He was employed by Swim Craft in Angola, and attended Stroh Church of God.

Surviving are two sons, Mitchell L. Everage Jr. and Derek Everage, both of Stroh; a companion, Robin Hayes of Stroh; seven sisters Mrs. Arthur (Louise) Mullins of Wolcottville, Mrs. Don (Mildred) Ritchie of Middlebury, Wilma Hayward of Garrett, Joalene Sizemore of Stroh, Mrs. Joe (Ada Mae) Everidge of LaGrange, Mrs. Larry (Betty) Jackson of Wolcottville, and Mrs. Ron (Nan) Everidge of Hudson; four brothers and three daughters-in-law, Joe Jr. and Polly Everage of Rome City, Don E. Everage of Hindman, Ky., Daymon and Blanche Everage of Emmalena, and Dana and Sandy Everage of Wawaka.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Hindman Funeral Home, Hindman, Ky., with the Rev. Archie Everage officiating. Burial will be in Everage Cemetery, Emmalena.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday in Hutchins Funeral Home in Wolcottville and from 2-8 p.m. Thursday in Hindman Funeral Home, Hindman.

Preferred memorials are to the Leukemia Society.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Dorothy M. Thomas**, 86, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Churubusco United Methodist Church. Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Robert M. Reade**, 70, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

KIMMELL — **The Rev. Bernard A. Fausnaugh**, 78, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Wilbur Hintz

ANGOLA — Wilbur Hintz, 92, of Angola, died Monday at 5 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Hintz had worked as a foreman at Dana Weatherhead in Angola. He was a member of First Congregational United Church of Christ, Angola; Angola Masonic Lodge No. 236; York Rite, Angola; Angola Chapter 78 of the Order of the Eastern Star and past patron; and the Angola Odd Fellows Lodge No. 180.

He also was a crossing guard at Angola High School and a custodian of the Masonic Temple in Angola. He lived in Angola for 48 years.

He was born July 2, 1905, in Amherst, Ohio, to the late Henry and Mary (Ditmer) Hintz.

On Dec. 23, 1927, he married Ruth (Strickland) Hintz, who preceded him in death on Nov. 5, 1993.

Surviving are two sons, Walter Hintz of Wickliffe, Ohio, and Donald Hintz of Chowchilla, Calif.; a daughter, Mary Jane Gundy of Angola; and eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and five stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by 10 brothers and sisters.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A Commandery Service will take place at 6:30 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Graveside services will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola, to be followed at 10:30 by a memorial service at the First Congregational Church of Christ, with the Rev. David Bowman officiating.

Memorial donations to Cameron Hospice are preferred.

Robert Lips

TITUSVILLE, Fla. — Robert William Lips, 87, died Sunday at 11:18 p.m. at the Mariner Health Care Center, Titusville, after a two-week illness. He had been a resident at Mariner Health for the past year.

Mr. Lips was born in Chicago on Aug. 22, 1910, a son of Herman and Mathilda (Voelkner) Lips. He married Bernette Maringer in Chicago Sept. 2, 1934, and she survives.

Active and athletic all his life, Mr. Lips was a renowned amateur baseball player in the Chicago area in the late '20s and early '30s, and was a lifelong fan of the Chicago Cubs. He played softball until he was 65, and still bowled regularly well past the age of 80.

An avid fisherman and outdoorsman, he moved to Fremont, Mich., in 1951 as a cost accountant with the Gerber Baby Foods Co. He retired from Gerber in 1975 and moved to Brooksville, Fla., in 1978, where he resided until moving to Titusville in January of 1997.

He was a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod all his life, belonging to and holding offices in local congregations in Chicago, Michigan and Florida. He was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Titusville, at the time of his death.

Surviving in addition to his wife of 63 years are two daughters, Cheryl Kroemer of Auburn and Sheila King of Titusville; four grandchildren, Adam Kroemer of Kendallville, Dr. Aaron Kroemer of Lowell, Mich., Joy Kroemer of Auburn and Sarah King of Titusville; and one sister, Esther Schick of Red Lodge, Mont. He was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.

Private graveside services will be held Thursday at 3 p.m., at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, Titusville, followed by a memorial service at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Titusville, at 4 p.m. There will be no visitation.

Beckman-Williamson Funeral Home, of Cocoa Beach, is charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sounds of Grace, the adult choir at Aboite Lutheran Church, or A Few Good Men, a men's octet music ministry, in care of Aboite Lutheran Church, 10312 Aboite Center Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46804.

Wayne Roy

GARRETT — Wayne E. Roy, 84, died Monday at 4:57 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

He was retired from farming in Butler Township of southwestern DeKalb County.

Mr. Roy was born Nov. 5, 1913, in Allen County to the late Frank and Carrie (Vachon) Roy.

He married Velma Coolman on July 29, 1931, in Fort Wayne and she died Jan. 2, 1981.

Surviving him are one son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Kathy Roy of Urbana, Ohio; two sisters, Dorothy Maxwell of Kendallville and Jessie Hobbs of Fort Wayne; three grandsons, Bill Roy of Chicago, Mark Roy of Auburn and Bob Roy of Garrett; and one great-granddaughter, Kelli Roy of Garrett.

One brother, Francis, and one sister, Jeanette Johnson, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Evening Star, Ind. May 19, 1998 (cont'd)

Florence Zongker

ASHLEY — Florence M. Zongker, 90, of Winter Garden, Fla., died at 5:20 p.m. Thursday in Health Central Park Nursing Home, Winter Garden, Fla.

She was born in Rensselaer July 17, 1907, to Sherman and Jessie (Denniston) Simonin. On Oct. 10, 1932, in Remington, she married Worthy Zongker. He preceded her in death July 14, 1960.

Mrs. Zongker moved from Rensselaer to Winter Garden in 1979. She was a homemaker and member of Calvary Baptist Church in Winter Garden.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Allen (Arlene) Easterday of Winter Garden; five sisters, Eva Ginther of Oxford, and Esther Ropp, Dorothy Malone and Ferne Peacock, all of Rensselaer, and Pauline Bailey of Sennimore, Wis.; two brothers, Robert Simonin of Medford, Ore., and Donald Simonin of Rensselaer; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with Mrs. Zongker's grandson, the Rev. William V. Easterday, officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, rural Hudson.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Area Deaths

SHIPSHEWANA — **George E. Dunakin**, 39, died Sunday in a drowning accident at Nasby Dam, Ontario. Services at 3 p.m. Ohio time Wednesday in Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, Ohio. Calling 7-9 p.m. Indiana time today in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange.

COLUMBIA CITY — **John J. Chidester**, 76, died Monday. Services pending through DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

SYRACUSE — **Dorothy Florence Laughlin**, 86, died Sunday. No services or calling.

The Evening Star, Wed., May 20, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Cleo Marks

CORUNNA — Cleo L. "Clem" Marks, 67, died Monday at noon in his Corunna home.

Mr. Marks retired from International Harvester, Fort Wayne, in 1983 with 20 years of service. He was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Navy.

He was born March 21, 1931, in Garrett to the late Ira and Thelma (Pence) Marks.

Surviving him are a son and daughter-in-law, Matthew J. and Carrie Marks of Columbia, S.C.; a son, Michael H. Marks of Stone Mountain, Ga.; a daughter, Monica Marks-Hatch of Butler; a daughter and her fiancé, Michelle Sliger and Don Givens of Norcross, Ga.; two half-sisters, Janet Marks and Carol Marks, both of Auburn; a sister-in-law, Alice Marks of Kendallville; an aunt and uncle, Maysa and Roy Guinn of Auburn; two grandchildren, Jacob Sliger of Norcross and Jameigh Hatch of Butler; and his former wife, Virginia Carol Smith Marks of Stone Mountain.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Robert; a half-brother, James Marks Jr., and a half-sister, Pat Whitson.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will take place in Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Corunna Fire Department.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Frieda P. Krom**, 95, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling there two hours before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Delmar Mickelson

NEWVILLE — Delmar L. Mickelson, 66, died today at 2:49 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Mickelson retired in 1989 as a wire enameler at General Electric Co., Fort Wayne, and was an avid fisherman.

He was born Oct. 27, 1931, in Antwerp, Ohio, to the late Earl and Edna (Bailey) Mickelson.

He married Rozella J. Baughman on Nov. 25, 1954, in Newville, and she survives.

Also surviving are one sister, Janice E. DeLong of Kendallville; and several nieces and nephews.

One brother, William, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 3-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Tony Brooks of the Newville United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Marjorie Rentz

FORT WAYNE — Marjorie E. Rentz, 90, died Tuesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a florist in Decatur for 30 years, retiring in 1962.

Mrs. Rentz was born Oct. 28, 1907, in Peru, Ind. Her husband, George W. Rentz, died in 1989.

Surviving her are three daughters, Anita Kinzer of Auburn, Jane Miller of Fort Wayne, and Mary Hunt of Fort Worth, Texas; 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Burial will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. in Prince of Peace Cemetery, Hudson. A memorial service will follow the burial at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, rural Hudson.

Memorial contributions may be given to Lutheran Homes, Wings of Love II, or Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Homes, Fort Wayne, are in charge of arrangements.

Hazel I. Hubartt

WATERLOO — Hazel I. Hubartt, 91, of Waterloo died Wednesday at 11 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Hubartt was a homemaker and a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

She was born Oct. 9, 1906, in DeKalb County, the daughter of Ivan and Dollie (Hamman) Hollinger. They preceded her in death.

She married Glenn Hubartt on May 1, 1927, in Butler. He preceded her in death on Aug. 25, 1967.

She is survived by two sons, Glenn Hubartt Jr. of Angola and William W. Hubartt of Waterloo. Also surviving are three grandchildren, Sara Gaff, Susan Steinman and David Hubartt, and three great-grandchildren, Jenifer, Stacey and Carrie Gaff.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Roland Hollinger; one half-brother, Delbert Hollinger; one sister, Geneva Patee; and three half-sisters, Lillian Stauffer, Nellie Keener and Doris Henderson.

Funeral services will take place Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Feller Funeral Home of Waterloo with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call Friday from 6-9 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Charles Franks Jr.

WAWAKA — Charles E. Franks Jr., 74, of rural Wawaka, died Tuesday at 3 p.m. at his residence.

He was born Sept. 29, 1923, in Albion to Charles and Beulah (Ott) Franks. On Jan. 28, 1949, in Cushing, Okla., he married Patricia Meyer. She survives.

Mr. Franks was a 1942 graduate of Albion High School and attended Purdue University and Oklahoma State University. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a lifetime farmer and rural mail carrier for the Wawaka Post Office. He retired from the post office in 1992. A lifetime Noble County resident, he was a member of Berean Baptist Church in Albion.

Surviving with his wife are a son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Rebecca Franks of Ashley; five daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Barbara) Pehlke of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Arlen (Marsha) Struck of Wabash, Claire Franks of New York, Laraine Franks of Terre Haute, and Mrs. John (Donna) Schwartz of Middlebury; four sisters, Valura Marker and Mrs. Howard (Willadean) Rodman, both of Ligonier, Elizabeth Boyd of Kendallville, and Margaret Bond of Wolcottville; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth, in 1963; and a grandson.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Berean Baptist Church, Albion, with the Rev. Doug Kennan officiating. Burial will be in Christian Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-8 p.m. today in Orr Funeral Home in Ligonier, and one hour before services at the church on Friday.

Preferred memorials are to Berean Baptist Church.

Evening Star, Thurs. May 21, 1998 (cont'd)

James Rumsey

STROH — James Earl Rumsey, 68, of Stroh, died Tuesday in V.A. Medical Center in Battle Creek, Mich.

He was born April 3, 1930, in Coldwater, Mich., to Vernon and Josephine Rumsey. On Oct. 6, 1956, in Hillsdale, Mich., he married Eunice "Corine" Westbrook LaMotte. She survives.

Mr. Rumsey owned an operated a greenhouse and fruit market and was a U.S. Air Force veteran.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Mrs. Donald (Cindy) Diedo of Naperville, Ill., Treasa Thompson of Tampa, Fla., and Mrs. Tom (Michelle) Pecar of Mancelona, Mich.; three sons, David LaMotte of Kendallville, Gary Thompson of Tampa, Fla., and Michael Rumsey of Garrett; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three sisters, Loretta Coney of LaGrange, Cleo Carter of Bronson, Mich., and Pat Davenport of Kalamazoo, Mich.; and a brother, John Rumsey of Coldwater, Mich.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Frank Rumsey.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Ralph Diehl officiating. Burial will be in Brushey Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Leukemia Society of America.

Elizabeth Jackson

BUTLER — Elizabeth A. Jackson, age 13 months, of rural Butler, died Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

She was born April 17, 1997, in Fort Wayne to Perry A. and Nora L. (Delagrange) Jackson, who survive.

Also surviving are one sister, Lauren K. Jackson, at home; her grandparents, Jim and Barb Jackson of Fort Wayne and Noah and Ethel Delagrange of Mark Center, Ohio; and her great-grandparents, Kathleen Visick and Bob and Terry Jackson, all of Fort Wayne.

Private family viewing will take place Friday at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Public graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn, with the Rev. Tony Brooks of Newville United Methodist Church officiating.

Deaths/Funerals

Pearl Manon

AUBURN — Pearl Manon, 89, of Auburn, died Thursday at 3:45 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home of Auburn.

Mrs. Manon was a former employee of the National 5 & 10 in Auburn, and a member of the Auburn Church of Christ.

She was born Dec. 9, 1908, in Fairfield Township, DeKalb County, to Samuel and Elizabeth (Smith) Freed.

On July 20, 1929, she married Herbert H. Manon in Auburn. He preceded her in death on July 10, 1981.

Also preceding her in death were a brother, Donald Freed; and two sisters, Mary Hartman and Ava Krum.

Mrs. Manon is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Virginia Manon of Auburn; a daughter and son-in-law, Janet and Roger Imhoff of Butler; four brothers, Clarence Freed of Auburn, Elmer Freed of Waterloo, Robert Freed of Garrett, and Howard Freed of Kendallville; two sisters, Esther Leins of Auburn and Dalia Schmuck of Kendallville; eight grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Saturday from 4-8 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Services will take place Sunday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home, with D.V. Dillinger and John Scott officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery in Auburn.

Memorial donations may be made to the Auburn Church of Christ or the Woodburn Children's Home.

Phyllis Crawford

FINDLAY, Ohio — Phyllis Crawford, 70, died Thursday at 12:50 a.m. (Indiana time) in Fox Run Manor.

Mrs. Crawford was retired from her work as a home health care provider for Blanchard Valley Regional Health Care Center, and was a member of the Actioneers at Stonebridge Church of God. She lived in Findlay.

She was born Sept. 30, 1927, in Findlay to the late Warren and Catherine (Tisdale) Dochterman.

She married Donald F. Rayle and they were divorced. She married Dallas Crawford on May 4, 1973, and he preceded her in death on April 4, 1997.

Surviving her are five sons, Terry L. Rayle of Auburn, Donald F. Rayle Jr. and William R. Rayle, both of Findlay, Daniel J. Rayle of McComb, Ohio, and Thomas P. Rayle of Marion, Ohio; one daughter, Shirley M. Rayle of Arlington, Ohio; two brothers, Warren L. Dochterman of Denver and Frederick D. Dochterman of Toledo, Ohio; two sisters, Donna Ressler of Largo, Fla., and Jacqueline McClain of Toledo; 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One brother, John Dochterman and one grandson, Timothy John Rayle, preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be conducted Sunday, May 31, at 2 p.m. in the Stonebridge Church of God, 2111 Stonehedge Drive, Findlay. Burial will be iin Weaver Cemetery at Bloomdale. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County YMCA, Stonebridge Church of God Playground Fund, or Cancer Patient Services of 802 N. Main St., Findlay.

Routson Funeral Chapel, Findlay, is in charge of arrangements.

Charles 'Buck' Traster

GARRETT — Charles H. "Buck" Traster, 82, died Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home in Auburn after a lengthy illness.

Mr. Traster had lived in Garrett since 1961. He retired in 1975 after 38 years at Warner Gear in Auburn. He was a member of Trinity Church United Methodist in Kendallville, and attended the Garrett United Methodist Church. He was a member of the Kendallville Elks Country Club and the Kendallville Eagles Lodge.

He was born to Benjamin and Margaret (Gump) Traster in Stroh on Feb. 24, 1916.

On Sept. 10, 1961, he married Marrianna Potts. She preceded him in death in 1980.

Surviving him are a daughter, Gloria Reddin of Garrett; a stepson, Joe Potts of Canada; a brother, Robert Traster of New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; one granddaughter, Wendy Hall of Garrett; one grandson, Kip Maggert of Garrett; and five great grandchildren.

One daughter, Cheryl Jan Traster, and one brother, Donald Traster, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. Dale Mendenhall officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Trinity Church United Methodist or the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Evening Star, Fri, May 22, 1998 (cont'd)

Dorothy Alguire

GRAND HAVEN, Mich. — Dorothy B. Alguire, 79, died Wednesday at Spectrum Health in Grand Rapids, Mich.

She was a resident of Grand Haven for 19 years, moving there from Harbor Springs and Flint. She was employed as deputy county clerk for Genesee County. She was a member of the United Methodist Church of the Dunes.

Mrs. Alguire was born Sept. 3, 1918, in Pontiac, Mich., to the late Fred J. and Violet (Redmond) Bentley.

She married Walter Alguire on Oct. 1, 1938, in Angola, and he died July 15, 1995.

Surviving her are three sons and daughters-in-law, James and Judy Alguire of Auburn, Thomas and Mary Kay Alguire of Grand Haven, and Patrick and Barbara Alguire of Philadelphia; three sisters, Marie Jessel of Harbor Springs, Joyce Martyn of Grand Haven, and Elaine Bradford of Flint; eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

One sister, Velma Brewer, preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday, May 30, at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) at the United Methodist Church of the Dunes, with calling after 9 a.m. (Indiana time).

Memorial contributions may be given to the Remembrance Garden or the music department of the church.

Vanzantwick Bartels Kammeraad Funeral Home of Grand Haven is in charge of arrangements.

Thomas Porter

FREMONT — Thomas James Porter, 75, of Barton Lake, died Thursday at 3:15 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Porter, a hotel manager, served with the U.S. Army Air Force in World War II. He was a 50-year Mason and a 50-year member of the American Legion.

He was born Aug. 24, 1922, in New York City to the late Thomas A. and Mary (McCafferty) Porter.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy (McConnell) Porter, at home; four sons, Mike Porter of Margaretville, N.Y., Rick Porter of Denver, N.Y., David Porter of Walton, N.Y., and Robert Porter of Nichols, N.Y.; two daughters, Mary Jane Scudder of Mohawk, N.Y., and Kelleanne Swary of Fremont; a stepson, Kurt Porter of Cincinnati; and 12 grandchildren.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with Father Philip Morgan officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorials donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Delmar Mickelson

NEWVILLE — Delmar L. Mickelson, 66, died Thursday at 2:49 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Mickelson retired in 1989 as a wire enameler at General Electric Co., Fort Wayne, and was an avid fisherman.

He was born Oct. 27, 1931, in Antwerp, Ohio, to the late Earl and Edna (Bailey) Mickelson.

He married Rozella J. Baughman on Nov. 25, 1954, in Newville, and she survives.

Also surviving are one sister, Janice E. DeLong of Kendallville; several nieces and nephews; three stepbrothers, Irwin Kilpatrick of Dayton, Ohio, Howard Kilpatrick of Payne, Ohio, and John Kilpatrick of Harlan; and two stepsisters, Lois Northy of New Haven and Donna Kuhn of Payne.

One brother, William, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 3-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Tony Brooks of the Newville United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

The Evening Star, Sat., May 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Carl Johnson

LAGRANGE — Carl J. (Smokey) Johnson, 67, of LaGrange, died Friday at Life Care Center of LaGrange.

He was born June 30, 1930, in Stroh to Paul O. and Lottie Mae (Boyd) Johnson. His father survives. His mother preceded him in death on Jan. 16, 1994.

In Valentine on Dec. 6, 1941, he married Josephine Rgigsby, who survives.

He was a lifetime LaGrange County resident and retired from the LaGrange County Highway Department after 29 years.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and father, are two daughters, Mrs. Estill (Debra) Martin, LaGrange, and Mrs. Earl (Sherry) Wilson, Ligonier; two sons, Gary L. Johnson and Denny J. and Dinae Johnson, both of LaGrange; three brothers, Glenn F. Johnson, Angola, Raymond E. Johnson, Stroh, and Leo P. Johnson, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and seven grandchildren.

One brother, Robert L. Johnson, preceded him in death in 1943.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange, with the Rev. Eugene C. Sommer officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery in LaGrange.

Calling is from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the LaGrange County Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

WAKARUSA — **Russell Blosser**, 67, of Wakarusa, died Wednesday. Memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Holdeman Mennonite Church in Wakarusa. Calling from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret-Lienhart Funeral Home.

ALBION — **Olivia Marie Brumbaugh**, infant daughter of Steven A. and Dorothy Jean (Terry) Brumbaugh of Albion, was stillborn Thursday. Graveside services at 3 p.m. Sunday at Christian Chapel Cemetery in Merriam.

Deaths/Funerals

Karl Hart

SPENCERVILLE — Karl V. Hart, 94, died this morning in his Spencerville home.

Arrangements are pending at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Irene Inlow

AUBURN — Irene Gertrude Inlow, 83, died Sunday evening in Auburn Health Care Center.

She attended the Indianapolis School for the Blind for 10 years. She was a homemaker and member of the Coburn Corners Church of Christ.

Miss Inlow was born Feb. 7, 1915, in St. Joe to the late Orren Elmer and Emma Jane (Mann) Inlow.

Surviving her are three sisters, Flossie "Bizz" Hubbard and Betty Lee, both of Auburn, and Becky Grobis of Butler; four brothers, D. Paul Inlow and Loren Inlow, both of Harlan, and Donald Inlow and Roger Inlow, both of Auburn; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Mabel Furnish and Alta Anderson; and four brothers, Leslie "Chuck" Inlow, A.D. "Tim" Inlow, Harold Inlow and William Inlow.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-8 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will take place Thursday at 3 p.m. in Coburn Corners Church of Christ. The Rev. Doug Holley and Bob Anderson will officiate. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Indianapolis School for the Blind.

Ruth Reynolds

GARRETT — Ruth Z. Reynolds, 87, died Sunday at 7:03 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

A registered nurse, she was a graduate of Garrett High School and received a nursing degree from the Indiana University School of Nursing and a teaching certificate from Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne. She was a certified Red Cross nurse and worked at the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Garrett from its inception until she retired at age 82.

She served as a staff nurse at Indiana University hospitals in Indianapolis, and Sacred Heart Hospital and Garrett Hospital, both in Garrett. She was an instructor in the health occupations program at Garrett High School, where she also served as school nurse.

She was a member of the Twentieth Century Literary Club, Tri Kappa Sorority, Friends of the Library, Garrett Historical Society and the First Church of Christ.

She was born May 21, 1911, in Garrett to the late Charles A. and Clara E. (Lash) Zimmerman.

Surviving her are one son; Richard W. Reynolds of Kalamazoo; one daughter, Marilyn Neal of San Diego, Calif.; one sister, Mabel Patrick of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Three brothers, Ralph, Roscoe and George Zimmerman, preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be conducted Friday at 4 p.m. in the First Church of Christ, Garrett, with Lloyd Mealer officiating. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or the American Red Cross.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Tobias Zoll

DECATUR — Tobias L. "Toby" Zoll, 20, died early Monday morning in a traffic accident on Winchester Road, Fort Wayne.

He worked at Gilpin Iron Works in Decatur and was a former employee of Corunna Bedding in Corunna. He was a resident of Decatur and a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society. He was a member of the Decatur men's softball and basketball leagues.

He was born Jan. 24, 1978, to Timothy A. and Janet A. (Litchfield) Zoll, who survive.

Also surviving are one sister, Brea A. Zoll of Decatur; and his grandmothers, Virginia A. Litchfield of Decatur and Doris M. Zoll of Bluffton.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home, Decatur. A rosary service will be conducted Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, with Father John E. Gillig officiating. A prayer service will be held Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Decatur.

Memorial contributions may be given to Serenity House in Auburn.

Zachary Tallent

AUBURN — Zachary T. Tallent, age 2 months, died Saturday at 8:22 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He was born March 25 in Fort Wayne to Sarah E. Pfefferkorn and Craig A. Tallent,. both of Auburn.

Also surviving are his grandparents, Robert and Connie Pfefferkorn of Angola, Meri Beth Miller of Auburn, Kim and Susan Springer of Leo, and Larry and Sharon Tallent of Churubusco; and his great-grandparents, Bill and Irene Kitzmiller of Fort Wayne, Ruby Hall of Fort Wayne, Cora Beth Miller of Auburn, Val Miller of Pennsylvania, and Archie and Esther Pairan of Ashley.

Friends may call Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

A graveside service will be conducted Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Michael's Cemetery, Waterloo. Father James J. Sapp will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Evening Star, Tues., May 26, 1998 (cont'd)

John Smith

HOWE — John T. "Smitty" Smith, 83, of Howe, died at 1 a.m. Monday in Miller's Merry Manor nursing home in LaGrange.

He was born in Bronson, Mich., March 5, 1915, to Roscoe R. and Mable Clara (Simpson) Smith.

Mr. Smith was a farmer and retired from Sturgis Iron & Metal in Sturgis, Mich., after 35 years. He was a member of Brighton Chapel Church, Brighton, LaGrange Gas & Steam Association and the Moose Lodge in LaGrange.

Surviving are two daughters, Joann K. Smith of Brighton and Mrs. Steve (Jean) Mock of Sturgis, Mich.; three sons, Robert H. Smith of Sturgis, Mich., Richard A. Smith of LaGrange, and Roscoe R. Smith of Traverse City, Mich.; eight grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; three stepsisters, Mrs. James Wooster of Coldwater, Mich., Norma Woodcox of Vicksburg, Mich., and Maxine Birch of Pleasant Lake; and two stepbrothers, Leo Woodcox and Wilbur Woodcox, both of Coldwater, Mich.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Brighton Chapel Church, Brighton, with the Rev. George Youstra and the Rev. Dwight Kauffman officiating.

Burial will be in Brighton Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the church.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

Johnny Kittle

FREMONT — Johnny W. Kittle, 30, of Fremont, died Friday at 4:58 p.m. at his residence.

Mr. Kittle was born Dec. 19, 1967, in Torrance, Calif. His father, Hayward L. Kittle, preceded him in death. His mother, Willa Jean (Richardson) Depue, survives at Pleasant Lake.

Also surviving are a brother, Hayward Kittle Jr. of Valparaiso; a sister, Corinna Denhart of Ottawa Lake, Mich.; a half-brother, Michael Depue of Angola; and a half-sister, Carol Gilmour of Pleasant Lake.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 at the home of Jean Depue, 3775 S. 109-W, Pleasant Lake.

Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Patricia Risser

LEO — Patricia A. Risser, 41, died Saturday at 2:30 a.m. in her Leo home.

Mrs. Risser was an internal auditor for 11 years at Lincoln National Corp., Fort Wayne, and was also a CPA and CISA. She was a 1975 graduate of East Noble High School in Kendallville and a 1983 graduate of Bowling Green State University. She was a member of Church of the Good Shepherd in Leo and was involved with Study Connection at Lincoln National Corp.

She was born April 1, 1957, in Framingham, Mass., to Jack and Trudy (Plourde) Whitford. They survive in Kendallville.

She married Stanton E. Risser on Sept. 19, 1987, in Allen County and he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Hannah Grace Risser, at home; two brothers, Scott Whitford of Sterling Heights, Mich., and Daniel Whitford of Riverside, Calif.; and one sister, Anne Balbaugh of Rome City.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, Dupont Road, Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Joe Mann of the Church of the Good Shepherd officiating. Burial will take place at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Everett Schutt

AVILLA — Everett L. Schutt, 82, of Avilla, died at 4 p.m. Saturday at his residence.

He was born in Swan Township in Noble County on Feb. 29, 1916, to Clarence and Inez (Beckley) Schutt.

Mr. Schutt, a retired farmer, was a lifetime Swan Township/Avilla resident.

Surviving are two sisters, Gladys Sellers of Angola, and Alice Freeman of LaOtto.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Marjory Gappinger, and a brother, Glenn Schutt.

Memorial services will be at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 31, in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla. Burial will be in Swan Cemetery at a later date.

No visitation or calling hours.

James Reid

WOLCOTTVILLE — James Reid, 69, of Wolcottville, died Friday at 10:30 p.m. in his residence.

He was born July 13, 1928, in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, to William and Sarah (Crombie) Reid. On Aug. 25, 1950, in Windsor, he married Elizabeth Taylor. She survives.

Mr. Reid moved from Windsor to Wolcottville in 1960. He was an electrician for King-Seeley in Kendallville. He retired from King-Seeley in 1984 after 17 years of employment.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Barbara Reid-Kohout of Kendallville; three sons, Mark Reid of Kendallville, Bill Reid of Wolcottville, and Jeff Reid of Orland; two sisters, Margaret Reid and Grace Rutherford, both of Windsor; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, James Michael Reid, on Feb. 7, 1979.

Memorial services were Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in the Church of Christ on North Street, Kendallville, with Ellis Crum officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, was in charge of arrangements.

Evening Star, Tues., May 26, 1998 (cont'd)

John Winn

HAMILTON — John E. Winn, 61, died Thursday at 7:05 p.m. in his Hamilton home after a brief illness.

Mr. Winn was a self-employed barber and operated Winn's Barber Shop in Butler for 40 years. He was a member of Forest Lodge 239, F.&A.M. in Butler and was past master three times.

He was born April 30, 1937, in Terre Haute to the late Kathryn (Cammel) and John E. Winn Sr.

He married Delores R. Baker on Dec. 30, 1956, in Payne, Ohio, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, John David Winn of Butler; one daughter, Patricia Ann Green of Corunna; two sisters, Francis Wythe of Houston, Texas, and Marilyn Daschel of Jacksonville, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

There will be no visitation or services. Krill Funeral Home, Edon, Ohio, is in charge of arrangements.

Loretta Work

ORLAND — Loretta P. Work, 89, of Orland, died Saturday at 9:30 p.m. at her home.

Mrs. Work had retired from Howard's Photo Lab in Fort Wayne. She was a member of the Orland Nazarene Church.

She was born Oct. 26, 1908, in Cloverdale, Ohio, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bendele.

Surviving are her husband of 71 years, Fred S. Work, at home; two daughters, Phyllis J. Ostrander of Orland and Delores (and husband, Clayton) Troyer of Kendallville; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Gertrude Schlagbaum of Fort Jennings, Ohio, Bernetta Allemeier of Boise, Idaho, and Rosima Severine of Fort Wayne.

Graveside services will take place at 10 a.m. Thursday in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne, with the Rev. Rodger Strong officiating. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to the Orland Nazarene Church.

Pauline Grabill

ORLAND — Pauline Neher Grabill, 91, of Orland, died Saturday at 4 p.m. in Batavia Township, Mich.

Mrs. Grabill was a school teacher and a member of Grace Baptist Church.

She was born April 10, 1907, in Flora to the late George Washington and Pricilla (Cripe) Neher.

Surviving are two daughters, Sharon Grabill of Deerfield Beach, Fla., and Karen (and husband, Gary) Sheppard of Bronson, Mich.; and three grandchildren.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with the Rev. R.W. Koenig officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Grace Baptist Church or Coldwater Hospice.

Marie Noyes

FREMONT — Marie Louise Noyes, 85, of Fremont, died today at 4:20 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Noyes was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her husband, Everett, in 1987.

She was born March 1, 1913, in Scott Township, Steuben County, to the late Burton and Anna (Shoup) Brown.

Surviving are a son, William (and wife, Nancy) Noyes of Fremont; a daughter, Jean (and husband, Graham) Sellers of Coldwater, Mich.; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Richard Doenges officiating. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the United Methodist Church, Brockville Commons Council and Lakeland Nursing Center activities.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **LaVon I. Felger**, 82, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in St. John Lutheran Church, 7914 W. Cook Road. Calling 2-8 p.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church on Thursday.

HOWE — **John T. "Smitty" Smith**, 83, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Brighton Chapel Church, Brighton, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Margaret E. Poyser**, 77, died Saturday. Graveside services at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier. No calling.

LAGRANGE — **June Caldwell**, 75, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **James Reid**, 69, died Friday. Memorial services were at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in Kendallville.

Deaths/Funerals

Ruth Brandon

AUBURN — Ruth E. Brandon, 95, died Sunday at 11:45 p.m. in a nursing home in Bonita Springs, Fla.

Mrs. Brandon was a homemaker and member of the First Christian Church in Auburn, the Naomi women's group, DeKalb County Chorus and the Women's Christian Temperance Union. She was a 50-year member of the Culture Club.

She was born Feb. 16, 1903, in Waterloo to the late Charles W. and Grace (Meeks) Price.

She married Worden M. Brandon in 1921 in Waterloo and he died Sept. 19, 1975.

Surviving her are one son, Richard of Syracuse, Ind.; one daughter, Janice Quinlan of Bonita Springs; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Kathleen J. Williams, one brother and one sister.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Terry Noller of the First Christian Church officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Karl Hart

SPENCERVILLE — Karl V. Hart, 94, died Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. in his Spencerville home.

He was a graduate of Spencerville High School and Tri-State College. He was a retired teacher, having taught at schools in Newville, Hicksville, Ohio, and St. Joe for about 28 years. He and his wife operated the Wooden Shoe Festival at their Kado-Lato Farm for many years.

Mr. Hart was a member of the Coburn Corners Church of Christ, serving many years as teacher and elder. He was a member of the St. Joe Lions Club and the DeKalb County and Indiana Retired Teachers Association.

He was born June 8, 1903, in Spencer Township to the late Clyde Eugene and Gladys Gertrude (Baltz) Hart.

He married Dorothy Ellen Lake on April 25, 1925, in Butler, and she died Feb. 5, 1991.

Surviving him are two sons and daughters-in-law, Lavon and Lora Hart of Spencerville, and Thomas and Sherry Hart of Tallahassee, Fla.; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Berniece Wilder and Alice Kagey Frederick, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the Coburn Corners Church of Christ, rural St. Joe, with calling after 9:30 a.m. Mr. Hart's grandson, Lynn Hart, will officiate, assisted by Pastor Todd Steere. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery, rural St. Joe.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Rudolph Hornbrook

FREMONT — Rudolph Hornbrook, 97, of Fremont, died Monday at 8:35 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hornbrook, a farmer, was born Jan. 29, 1901, in Petersburg to Samuel P. and Cassa (Alexander) Hornbrook. He married Opal Fireovid, who died in 1976.

Surviving him are three sons and their families, Richard and Gladys Hornbrook of Jacksonville, Fla., Ted and Nell Hornbrook of Orland and Harold and Jeanie Hornbrook of Fremont; three daughters and their families, Norma and Oliver Walters of Coldwater, Mich., Sarah and Richard Smith of Fremont, and Carolyn and Jack Binkley of Waukegan, Ill. The families include 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sisters and three brothers.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Ronnie Elliott officiating. Burial will be in Teeters Cemetery, Clear Lake Township, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Mary Jane Condon

AUBURN — A memorial service for Mary Jane Condon will be conducted Tuesday, June 9, at 2 p.m. in the chapel at the First United Methodist Church in Auburn.

The Rev. Wilbur Yates will officiate. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Mrs. Condon, 73, died Jan. 13 in Inverness, Fla.

She was a ward clerk at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, and a member of the First United Methodist Church, Elks Lodge 1978 Auxiliary and Order of the Easter Star Chapter 103, all in Auburn. She lived in DeKalb County for more than 65 years before moving to Florida five years ago.

She was born Oct. 14, 1924, in Auburn to the late Cecil and Nora (Schaeffer) Mark.

Surviving her are her husband, Sanford H.; two daughters, Sandra Slick of Tampa, Fla., and Wendy Hapner of Inverness; three brothers, Kenton Mark of Kinderhook, Mich., and Robert Mark and Don Mark, both of Avilla; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be given to the memorial fund at the church.

The Evening Star, Thurs, May 28, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Cope

MADISON — Robert M. Cope, 68, died Wednesday at 6:10 a.m. in Kings' Daughters' Hospital, Madison.

He was retired from his career as a supervisor with Indiana Bell from 1955-1983 in Indianapolis. A native of Madison, he resided in Bloomington, Auburn, Evansville and Indianapolis until moving back to Madison in 1984. He was a Korean veteran of the Air Force.

He was a life member of Jefferson American Legion Post 9, booster member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1969, Moose Lodge 765 and Madison Eagles Lodge. He was a graduate of Madison High School.

Mr. Cope was born July 30, 1929, in Madison. His mother, Elsie (Housefield) Geyman, survives in Madison and his father, John Morris Cope, preceded him in death in 1954.

He married Mary (Johns) Thomas on Dec. 23, 1956, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Fran Thomas of Flora, Ill.; three granddaughters and two great-grandsons.

Friends may call Friday from 4-8 p.m. and Saturday after 9 a.m. in Morgan-Webster-Nay Funeral Home, Madison.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Ronald J. Masters officiating. Burial will be in Springdale Cemetery, Madison, with full military rites conducted by Jefferson American Legion Post 9.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association or the American Lung Association.

Area Deaths

BALTIMORE — **The Rev. Michael Pigott**, 48, died April 26 in Baltimore. He was a former pastor in Kendallville. Memorial services were May 2 in Baltimore.

The Evening Star, Fri., May 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Ronald Reutebuch

WINAMAC — Ronald John Reutebuch, 25, died Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Methodist Hospital of Indiana in Indianapolis.

He was a construction worker with Gearhart Builders of Winamac, and was a lifelong Winamac resident. He graduated from Winamac Community High School in 1991. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Pulaski, and its Holy Name Society. He was a avid motorcyclist and enjoyed snowmobiling.

Surviving him are his parents Thomas and Marilyn K. (Cloud) Reutebuch of Winamac; three brothers, Thomas J. of Manchester, N.H., James of Auburn and Robert of Winamac; two sisters, Beth Ann Reutebuch of Lafayette and April Reutebuch of Winamac; and his maternal grandfather, Delbert Cloud of Winamac.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-9 p.m. and Monday after 8 a.m. at Frain Mortuary, Winamac. A rosary will be recited Sunday at 8:30 p.m. in the mortuary.

Services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, with the Rev. Ronald Schiml officiating. Burial will take place in St. Joseph Cemetery West, Pulaski.

Donald Recker

SYRACUSE — Donald R. Recker, 55, died Wednesday in his residence. Formerly of Albion, he was co-owner of Dial-X Automotive Equipment in Albion.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara; a daughter, Myra Hanns of Hudson; a son, Richard Recker of Angola; three sisters, Marian Weiss of Warren, Mich., and Vivian Macudzinski and Carolyn Memmer, both of California; a brother, Arthur Recker of Kalida, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, with calling there 30 minutes before services.

Preferred memorials are to Turnstone Center for Disabled Children & Adults, 3320 N. Clinton St., Fort Wayne 46802.

Area Deaths

MONGO — **Esperanza Hope Garza**, 4 hours old, died Thursday. Graveside services Saturday at 11 a.m. in Woodruff Cemetery, LaGrange. No calling.

The Evening Star, Sat., May 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

James Baldwin

ANGOLA - James P. Baldwin, 81, of Angola, died Friday at 5:11 a.m. in Northern Indiana Health Care System in Fort Wayne.

An Angola resident for 50 years, Mr. Baldwin owned Baldwin Brokerage and was the distributor for Wayne Candies in Michigan. He invented the Sweet Tart brand of candies. He belonged to Angola American Legion post 31.

He was born Oct. 7, 1916, in Burlington, Iowa, to John Phillip and Margaret (Reinke) Baldwin. He was married Dec. 27, 1941, to Carrie Kerkos, who survives him.

Also surviving are two sons, John Phillip Baldwin of West Olive, Mich., and Robert James Baldwin of Chandler, Ind.; a daughter, Dinah Oberlin of Elmhurst, Ill.; a sister, Beatrice Wilson of Angola; eight grandchildren and one step-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Robert J. Baldwin.

Friends may call Sunday from 1-2 p.m. at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola. A funeral service will immediately follow at 2 p.m.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Heart Association.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Mary K. Craig**, 84, died Friday. Services 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco. Calling hours will be 2-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

FORT WAYNE — **Eileen G. Watson**, 75, died Thursday. Services 2 p.m. today at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home, Wayne Street Chapel, 420 W. Wayne St. Calling noon to 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

HOWE — **Betty I. Oakley**, 68, died Thursday. Services Monday at 11 a.m. in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

LIGONIER — **Pearl M. King**, 76, died Friday. Funeral services Monday at 2 p.m. at Orr Funeral Home in Ligonier. Friends may call at the funeral home in Ligonier on Sunday from 4-8 p.m.

Deaths/Funerals

Lelia Berry

PLEASANT LAKE — Lelia Fay Berry, 100, of Pleasant Lake, died Friday at her daughter's home in Pleasant Lake.

Mrs. Berry, a homemaker, moved to Pleasant Lake from Fort Wayne three years ago.

She was born May 2, 1898, in Cappie, in Howard County, to the late Grant Monroe and Laura Alice (Stonebraker) Frye.

On Nov. 20, 1915, she married Roy W. Berry, who preceded her in death in 1960.

Surviving are a daughter, Maryann K. Berry of Pleasant Lake; a brother, Robert Frye of Fort Wayne; a sister, Ramona Hacha of Sacramento, Calif.; seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Robert E. Berry and James L.R. Berry; two infant children, three grandchildren, five brothers and four sisters.

Graveside services took place this morning at Prairie Grove Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to the family, in care of Maryann K. Berry, P.O. Box 225, Pleasant Lake. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Eugene Smith III

STROH — Eugene Raymond Smith III, age 7 weeks, died at Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis Sunday at 1 p.m.

He was born April 15, 1998, to Eugene Raymond Smith II and Shirlena (Nepier) Smith. They survive.

Also surviving is a sister, Shayntel, four grandparents, Eugene and Tana Smith of LaGrange, and Lincoln and Fairlena Nepier of Hudson; and one great-grandmother, Ellen Davis of Hudson.

Funeral services will take place at the Community Baptist Church in Wolcottville at 11 a.m. Thursday with the Rev. Lee Combs and the Rev. Clarence Combs officiating.

Calling will take place from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo and one hour before funeral services at the church.

Burial will take place at the Wright Cemetery in Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Riley Children's Hospital.

Rhea Snyder

HUDSON — Rhea C. Snyder, 1 day old, died Friday morning at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born Thursday to Larry W. and Chris A. (Lapp) Snyder.

Surviving her are her parents; one brother, Danny; one sister, Jenna; and three grandparents, John and Genevieve Lapp of Butler and Homer Snyder of Auburn.

A grandmother, Rhea Snyder, died in 1986.

Private graveside services took place today in the Hamilton Cemetery. Dale Rabineau of Christ's Church in Butler officiated.

H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home in Butler was in charge of the arrangements.

Gladys Smart

FREMONT — Gladys Maude Smart, 90, of Fremont, died Saturday at 1 a.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Smart, a homemaker, was a member of Zion Missionary Church and the Fremont Homemakers.

She was born Nov. 18, 1907, in DeKalb County to the late Gilbert and Maude (Betz) Everetts.

Surviving are five daughters, Pat (and husband, Phillip) Michael of Fremont, Phyllis Hutchins of Cincinnati, Dorothy (and husband, Charles) Hayes of Shreveport, La., Nancy (and husband, Paul) Wilcox of Fremont, and Sharon (and husband, Rod) Wells of Angola; three sons, Clellie Jr. (and wife, Margaret) Smart of Greenville, N.C., Larry (and wife, Loretta) Smart of Fremont, and David (and wife, Angela) Smart of Jacksonville, Fla.; two sisters, Helen Casebere of Hamilton, and Evangeline Forest of Jackson, Mich.; two brothers, Bud (and wife, June) Everetts of Bryan, Ohio, and Andrew Everetts of Auburn; 20 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Donald Rashley officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Hospice and Zion Missionary Church.

Evening Star, Mon., June 1, 1998 (cont'd)

Bill L. Wolfe

WATERLOO — Bill L. Wolfe, 71, died at his home in rural Waterloo Saturday at 2:40 p.m.

Mr. Wolfe had been a supervisor at International Harvester Co. in Fort Wayne. He retired in 1982. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in World War II.

He was born in Garrett on Jan. 10, 1927, to Clarence and Hazel (McClellan) Wolfe, who are both deceased.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mae Bell (Myers) Wolfe, whom he married in Garrett on June 26, 1948. She died March 13, 1996.

He is survived by a daughter, Linda M. Shaffer of Hamilton; two sons, Ronald L. Wolfe of Angola and Timothy L. Wolfe of Waterloo; three brothers, Robert Wolfe of Waterloo, Max Wolfe of Pleasant Lake and Dean Wolfe of Wolcottville.

Also surviving are 17 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by a son, David Wolfe, and a sister, Kathryn Wolfe.

He was a member of the DeKalb County Sheriff's Mounted Posse.

Calling will take place at the Feller Funeral Home Tuesday from 2 -5 and 7-9 p.m.

Services will take place Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home with the Rev. Bill Lyne officiating. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery near Garrett.

Memorial donations may be made to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Gerald W. Kuhn

AUBURN — Gerald W. Kuhn, 63 of Auburn, died Friday at 6:50 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

He had worked at Owen's Supervalu and Kroger supermarkets in Auburn.

He was born in Decatur on Sept. 22, 1934, the son of Herman and Neva (Frank) Kuhn, who are both deceased.

Surviving are his longtime companion Sandy Muckenfuss of Auburn and her family, Don Muckenfuss, Pat Miller and Dian Moor and their five children.

He is also survived by a daughter, Jennifer Jackson of Fort Wayne and a son, John Kuhn of Michigan City.

He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn and the Auburn Moose Lodge. He graduated from Churubusco High School in 1952.

His funeral will take place Tuesday at 10 a.m. at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn with the Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. officiating. Burial be at Lindenwood Cemetery in Fort Wayne.

Calling will take place between 2 and 8 p.m. today at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo and one hour before services Tuesday at the church.

Memorial donations may be made to the church or the DeKalb County Humane Shelter.

Area Deaths

HUNTERTOWN — **May Madeline Hatch**, 88, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Huntertown United Methodist Church, 16021 Lima Road. Calling 2-4:40 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services on Wednesday.

ROME CITY **Oscar Ritchie Sr.,** 74, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Community Baptist Church, Wolcottville. Calling 4-8 p.m. Tuesday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, and one hour before services at the church.

Deaths/Funerals

Howard Meadows

AUBURN — Howard Meadows, 79, of County Road 427, Auburn, died Monday at 1:55 a.m. at Auburn Health Care.

He was born Feb. 19, 1919, in Meniffee County, Ky. He retired from Messenger Corp. with 21 years' service.

He is survived by a half-brother, Alfred Fields of Garrett; three half-sisters, Grace Helton and Pauline Carpenter, both of Auburn, and Eva Mason of Angola; and an uncle, Oscar Wells of Waterloo.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Annie Fields, and a half-brother, Dorsey Fields.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Kenneth Queener of Auburn Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Wednesday from 6-8 p.m.

Helen Dicks Domas

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Helen E. Dicks Domas, 74, died May 18 in Ann Arbor.

She was an Auburn native and graduated from Auburn High School in 1942. She had been employed by Ford, Kaiser and Bendix companies in Michigan.

Surviving are her husband, E. Frank, in Milan, Mich.; a stepdaughter, Carol Hall of Buckner, Ky.; a stepson, Larry Domas of Ypsilanti, Mich.; a brother, George W. Dicks of New Haven; five stepgrandchildren and eight stepgreatgrandchildren.

Memorial services took place May 21 at Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home in Milan, Mich.

The family requests memorial donations to the American Cancer Society for research.

Richard Schlotter Jr.

KENDALLVILLE — Richard G. Schlotter Jr., 40, died Friday in his home in San Diego, Calif. He had been ill since November 1997 with leukemia.

He was born in Garrett Dec. 2, 1957, to Richard G. and Tilda Mae (Hicks) Schlotter Sr. His father survives in Kendallville, and his mother at Waldron Lake.

Mr. Schlotter, formerly of Kendallville, was a computer programmer and a U.S. Navy veteran from 1976-80.

Surviving with his parents are a sister, Evon Schlotter of Lockport, Ill.; and two brothers, Timothy Schlotter of Kendallville, and Kenneth Schlotter of Radcliff, Ky.

Memorial services were held in California on Sunday. Burial will be at a later date.

The family will greet friends at 6 p.m. Friday in G.M.P. Union Hall, Ind. 3, north of Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to the Kendallville Park and Recreation Department.

Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville was in charge of local arrangements.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Earl M. Knisely**, 87, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

178

Deaths/Funerals

John Ramer

AUBURN — John C. Ramer, 80, died Tuesday at 9:10 p.m. in his Auburn home.

Mr. Ramer was a farmer and moved to DeKalb County from Noble County in 1945. He attended Wawaka Grade School and High School. He attended the Cosperville and Norris Chapel United Methodist churches.

He was born Oct. 28, 1917, in LaGrange County, to William and Dora (Steinberger) Ramer, both now deceased.

On Sept. 11, 1976, he married Iris Hursh in Gobelville, Ind., and she survives.

Also surviving are a stepson and stepdaughter-in-law, Clayton Jr. and Joan Hursh of Auburn; a stepdaughter, Mary Kay Hursh of Auburn; two brothers, Lawrence Ramer and Elmer Ramer of LaGrange; three stepgrandchildren, Tammy Hursh, Carrie Hursh and Clayton Hursh III; and 11 nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Florence Hunter and Mildred Eberly.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in the Norris Chapel United Methodist Church with the Rev. Steven Haiflich officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-9 p.m., at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the church or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Freda Strehlow

HUDSON — Freda G. Strehlow, 93, of Hudson, died at 4:10 a.m. today in Mount Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Helen Potts

CORUNNA — Helen Virginia Potts, 72, of Corunna, died Tuesday at 5 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Zion Sixteen Lutheran Church.

She was born Jan. 4, 1927, in South Hill, Va., to William L. and Vesta A. (Texter) Graham, both now deceased.

On Jan 23, 1946, she married Peter Potts in Auburn, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Kenneth James Potts of Seattle, Wash., and Martin Lawrence Potts of Montpelier, Ohio; a daughter, Heather Marie Kirkendoll of Fort Wayne; three brothers, William Graham and Robert Graham of Auburn and Kenneth Graham of Butler; two sisters, Ruth Lyons and Dorothy Graham, both of Seattle; and 10 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Sylvia Marie Potts, and three brothers, James, John and Richard Graham.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in Zion Sixteen Lutheran Church with the Rev. Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church.

Amy Durant

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — Amy Durant, 40, died Monday in Redwood City Hospital after suffering a brain aneurysm.

She was born in Auburn to Tom and Jeanne (Myers) Underhill, now of San Diego, Calif.

She managed a Hallmark store in Redwood City Mall.

Surviving, along with her parents, are her husband, Stewart, two children, Katie, age 9, and Andy, age 7; a brother Joe, of California; her grandmother, Mildred Myers of Auburn; two uncles, Bill Myers of Garrett and Sam Underhill of Fort Wayne; and an aunt, Nancy Gengnagle of Chicago.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Jeff, in 1983.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Mabel Wren

HUDSON — Mabel V. Wren, 81, of rural Hudson, died at 4:05 p.m. Tuesday in Betz Nursing Home in Auburn.

She was born in Billings, Mont., March 30, 1917, to Levi and Clidie (Severt) Phillips. On June 3, 1939, in Angola, she married Kenneth L. Wren, who survives.

Mrs. Wren had lived in the rural Hudson area 53 years. She was a 1935 graduate of Salem Center High School and a graduate of Tri-State College. A homemaker, she had also worked for Messenger in Auburn and was a real estate agent for both Century 21 and Home and Farm Realty.

Surviving with her husband are four sons, James C. Wren of Angola; Philip B. Wren and Robin J. Wren, both of Fort Wayne, and Jody C. Wren of Shelby Township, Mich.; two brothers, Wiley Phillips of Auburn, and Ralph Phillips of Waterloo; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Private services will be held with the Rev. J. Glen Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

There is no visitation.

Memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Marion L. Clouse**, 89, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Sheets Funeral Home.

CHURUBUSCO — **Forest A. Geiger**, 98, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Sheets Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

CROMWELL — **Karen E. "Katie" Farmer**, 45, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, with calling there from 9 a.m. until services.

LAGRANGE — **Russell O. Iler**, 93, died Tuesday. Services at 11:30 a.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, with calling there 2-3 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

STROH — **Ida R. Single**, 96, died Monday. Graveside services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Woodruff Cemetery. No calling.

TOPEKA — **Linda J. Leming**, 55, died Saturday. Memorial services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there one hour before services.

The Evening Star, Thurs., June 4, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Paul Farrell

AUBURN — Paul E. Farrell, 57, of Auburn, died Wednesday at 4:18 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Farrell was employed for 30 years at General Electric in Fort Wayne and was a member of the Auburn Moose Lodge.

He was born Sept. 14, 1940, in Allegan County, Mich.

He is survived by a son, James Paul Farrell of Auburn; a daughter, Jeannine Marie Farrell of Auburn; a sister, Vera Farrell of Howard City, Mich., two grandchildren, Nicholas James and Joseph James Farrell, and a niece and nephew, Steven and Carla.

He was preceded in death by his father and stepmother, Joseph E. and Bernice Farrell, and his mother and stepfather, Carl and Sally (Younts) Bruinsma.

There will be no funeral service. The family will receive friends Saturday from 3-5 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Auburn Moose Lodge.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Marion L. Clouse**, 89, died Tuesday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Fri., June 5, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Pearl Church

ELKHART — Pearl A. Church, 91, of Hubbard Hill Estates, Elkhart, died Wednesday at 4:40 a.m. in Elkhart General Hospital.

A former Auburn resident, she was born Feb. 22, 1907, in Christopher, Ill. As Pearl A. Pruett, she married Ira Church on March 15, 1926, in Auburn. He died on Feb. 25, 1984.

She was a homemaker and a member of First Church of the Nazarene.

She is survived by three daughters, Betty Sternat of Houston, Carol Schuelke of Elkhart and Sharon (Mrs. Guy) Hostetter of Rochester, Minn.; one son, Donald Church; 19 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and one granddaughter.

Funeral services were conducted today at Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home. The Rev. E. Wayne Speicher, chaplain at Hubbard Hill Estates. officiated.

Burial was in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola.

Memorial donations may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Richard Leas

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio — Richard Lyle Leas, 62, died Tuesday in his Springfield, Ohio, home.

He was a former Auburn resident and moved to Springfield in 1989.

Mr. Leas was employed at Navistar in Springfield. He was discharged from the National Guard. He was a member of the Springfield Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Springfield Moose Lodge 536, a former member of the Auburn Moose Lodge, a member of the U.S. Chess Federation, a member of DeKalb Lodge 214 F&AM and a member of the International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay. He was a 1955 graduate of Auburn High School and attended Ball State University. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity.

He was born March 16, 1936, in Richland Township, Steuben County, to Lyle S. and Helen (Mason) Leas. His father is deceased and his mother survives in Mesa, Ariz.

Also surviving are two daughters, Tammy E. (Mrs. David G.) Long, and Tish Kay Hart, both of Auburn; two sisters, Beverly Jean Timberlin of Phoenix, Ariz., and Natalie Elaine Klosterman of Cameron Park, Calif.; three grandchildren, Melissa and Travis Lee Ort, and Jonathon Hart; a stepgrandchild, Billy Long; and his fiancee, Joyce Bennett of Dayton, Ohio.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, where friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Michael Somerset

STROH — Michael R. Somerset, 51, of Big Long Lake, died at 5:44 a.m. Thursday in the emergency room of Vencor Hospital-LaGrange. He had been ill since 1991.

He was born in Gridley, Calif., March 3, 1947, to Monroe Charles "Curly" and Eleanor (Allen) Somerset. His father and stepmother, Monroe and Margaret (Sobasky) Somerset, survive in Stroh. His mother, Eleanor Hopkins, survives in Anchorage, Alaska. On June 17, 1987, in Fort Hall, Idaho, he married Sharon A. Antill. She also survives.

Mr. Somerset, a respiratory therapist, formerly worked with Life Flight therapists. He had lived in here three months, coming from Missouri.

He was a Vietnam War Navy veteran and received the Navy Cross. He was a member of the Methodist Church, American Legion Post 243 and VFW Post 3937, Ligonier.

Surviving with his wife and parents are a stepson and daughter-in-law, John Robert and Shelly Butler of Oak Harbor, Wash.; a sister, Kimberly Ann Malidore of Tacoma, Wash; and a half-brother, Mario A. Somerset of Stroh.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with the Rev. Willie Collins of Wolcottville Community Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the VA Cemetery, Marion.

Visitation is one hour before services on Saturday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Evening Star, Fri, June 5, 1998 (cont'd)

Freda Strehlow

HUDSON — Freda Garnet Strehlow, 93, of Hudson, died at 4:10 a.m. Wednesday in Mount Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

She was born in Wells County, July 14, 1904, to Charles and Frances (Falk) Aker. On March 3, 1938, in Bluffton, she married Arthur Strehlow. He preceded her in death on Feb. 2, 1968.

Mrs. Strehlow, a homemaker, had lived in Hudson 63 years.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. John (Betty Jane) Carr of Columbus, Ohio; two sisters, Martha Mendenhall and Jeanette Aker, both of Pleasant Lake; a brother, Russel Aker of Coldwater, Mich.; five grandchildren, Judith Ann Carr of Newark, Ohio, Mary Massarella of Columbus, Ohio, Deborah Ruck of Naples, Fla., Douglas Louthan of Louisville, Ky., and Mary Scoles of Newark; and five great-grandchildren, Paul and David Louthan, and Katie, John and Natalie Massarella.

A daughter, Dorothy Collins, preceded her in death in 1995.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Craig Burkholder of Hudson United Brethren Church officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 7-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Arthur Hasselman**, 84, died Thursday. Services at 1 p.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

Deaths/Funerals

Edith Yarde

AVILLA — Edith L. Yarde, 89, died Friday in her Avilla home.

Formerly of Garrett, she was a homemaker and a farmer.

She was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren, the Keyser Township Homemakers Extension Club, the Republican Women's Club, the Garrett Garden Club and the Garrett Business and Professional Women.

She was born March 28, 1909, in DeKalb County, to Lee and Edna (Brace) Wilmot.

On June 25, 1927, she married John Yarde in the Methodist parsonage at Garrett, and he died Aug. 13, 1995.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Dale and Alice Yarde of Garrett; two daughters, Doris (Mrs. Carl) Gerber of Garrett, and Nancy (Mrs. Don) Potter of Fort Wayne; a brother, Paul Wilmot of Garrett; 10 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Leroy, Arthur and Durward.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, where friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

Blanche Mantle

SOUTH WHITLEY — Blanche D. Mantle, 94, of South Whitley, died Friday at 3:50 a.m. at the Oaks Living Center, Columbia City, where she had been a resident for the past three years.

Mrs. Mantle was a member of South Whitley United Methodist Church and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 5582.

She was born Oct. 4, 1903, in McClain County, Ill., to Lewis D. and Jennie Buckles Worrick. In 1905, her family moved to Whitley County, where she completed her education.

On Jan. 10, 1921, she married Solomon Mantle in Danville, Ill. They made their home on a farm in Jefferson Township, Whitley County. In 1953, they moved to Cleveland Township. Mr. Mantle died July 15, 1974.

Mrs. Mantle is survived by three sons, Harley E. of Albion, Glenn E. of Corunna and Roger L. of LaGrange; three daughters, Wilda Ernst of Columbia City, Lola Briggs of Thorp, Wis., and Evelyn Bernardin of South Whitley; 17 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Berniece Forst of Columbia City.

She was preceded in death by a son, Robert H., two grandchildren, five sisters and three brothers.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Smith and Sons Miller Chapel, South Whitley.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the funeral home, with Dr. August Lundquist, pastor of South Whitley United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the South Whitley Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to South Whitley United Methodist Church.

Area Deaths

KIMMELL — **Dale Lemaster**, 57, of Kimmell, died Thursday in Columbia City. Calling Sunday from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at the Kuiper Funeral Home in Highland. Services at 12:30 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Cremation will follow at Calumet Park Cemetery. Arrangements by Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier.

KIMMELL — **Harold R. Jones**, 81, died Thursday in Elkhart. Calling Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw. Funeral services at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home. Burial in Palestine Cemetery, Palestine.

Deaths/Funerals

David Light

AUBURN — David R. Light, 19, died Saturday about 5 a.m. in a one-car crash in Steuben County. He was an Auburn resident.

Mr. Light was born July 15, 1978, in Angola.

He married Jamie Akey on April 2, 1998, and she died with him in the accident.

Surviving are his father, David Light of Waterloo; his mother and stepfather, Sandra and Jack Lancaster of Pleasant Lake; one brother, Willis Dean Light of Greencastle; a stepbrother, Kristopher Light; a stepsister, Brandy Light; and his stepgrandparents, Jack and Shirley Lancaster of Angola.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Donovan Coley Sr. and the Rev. Kim Cole will officiate, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Drug Task Force.

Maxine Myers

ANGOLA — Maxine Phyllis Myers, 82, of Angola, died Friday at 12:57 p.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Myers was a homemaker and a member of Zion Missionary Church, Pythian Sisters and Mill Ponders.

She was born March 21, 1916, in Steuben County to the late Carl and Bessie (Coblentz) Roberts.

Surviving are a son, Jim Myers of Plainfield; three daughters, Demaris Groshon of Angola, Phyllis (and husband, Steve) Joyce of Queen Valley, Ariz., and Carol (and husband, Kenny) Brost of Angola; a half-sister, Cora Vee Caswell of Fremont; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Myrl, preceded her in death in 1987.

Services were conducted today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with the Rev. Donald Rashley officiating. Burial was in Fremont Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to Zion Missionary Church and Pythian Sisters.

Jamie Light

AUBURN — Jamie Lynn Light, 19, died Saturday about 5 a.m. in a single-car crash in Steuben County.

She was a member of Dayspring Community Church, Auburn.

Mrs. Light was born Nov. 9, 1978, in Fort Wayne to Jerry Lee and Dana M. Akey, who survive in Auburn.

She married David R. Light on April 2, 1998, and he died with her in the accident.

Also surviving her are one sister and brother-in-law, Debra Sue and Larry Rowe of Garrett; her grandmothers, Violet Surfus of Auburn and Rose Mary Akey, also of Auburn; a great-grandmother, Anna Surfus of Auburn; and a niece, Faith Joy Rowe of Garrett.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Donovan Coley Sr. and the Rev. Kim Cole will officiate, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Drug Task Force.

Kate Bartels

AUBURN — Kate G. "Kitty" Bartels, 71, died Saturday at 6:58 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Bartels was a homemaker and a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn.

She was born May 18, 1927, in Danzig, Germany, to the late Erich M. and Bertha G. (Gerlach) Kosel.

She married Ervin Bartels on Dec. 6, 1948, in Heidelberg, Germany, and he survives.

Also surviving are one brother and sister-in-law, Helmut H. and Beverly Kosel of Jonesboro; one sister and brother-in-law, Helen and Ronald G. Smith of Chicago; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One son, Gerald H., preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur Ferry officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Multiple Sclerosis Association.

Kelly Mossbarger

AUBURN — Kelly Renée Mossbarger, 16, died Saturday about 5 a.m. in a one-car crash in Steuben County.

She was a sophomore at DeKalb High School and lived on Dennison Lane in Auburn.

Miss Mossbarger was born July 1, 1981, in Auburn.

Surviving her are her father, Clinton Mossbarger of New Haven; her mother and stepfather, Donna and David M. Greenfield of Auburn; one brother, Mike Greenfield of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Rhonda and Lorraine Mossbarger, both of Tennessee; a stepbrother, Isaac Greenfield of Churubusco; two stepsisters, Bronwen Greenfield and Caitlin Greenfield, both of Auburn, a grandmother, Laura Goings of Auburn; and a stepgrandmother, Carolyn Greenfield of Auburn.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. Donovan Coley Sr. will officiate. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association or DeKalb County Drug Task Force.

Marjorie Ball

AUBURN — Marjorie E. Ball, 83, died Sunday at 4:55 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Ball was a homemaker and a former Auburn resident. She was a member of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Auburn, and a volunteer at the Good Samaritan Center.

She was born Oct. 21, 1914, in Columbia City to the late Frank and Jennie (Detton) Smith)

She married Ross Ball in 1970 in Fort Wayne, and he preceded her in death.

Surviving her are one son, Laren W. Lahr of Auburn; three daughters, Cheryl K. Lawson of Auburn, M. Delores King of Defiance, Ohio, and Charlene M. Larsen of Lady Lake, Fla.; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Harvey L. Huntley Jr. officiating. Burial will take place in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to her church.

Evening Star, Mon., June 8, 1998 (cont'd)

M. Lorene Ewell

KENDALLVILLE — Mary "Lorene" Ewell, 86, of Kendallville, died at 9:25 p.m. Saturday in Kendallville Manor nursing home where she had been a patient three years. She had been ill several years.

She was born in Kendallville Feb. 24, 1912, to Willard and Myrtle (Hosler) Owen. On Sept. 28, 1935, in Corunna, she married Merritt Ewell. He preceded her in death Sept. 2, 1978.

Mrs. Ewell, a lifetime area resident, had lived at The Lamplighter prior to entering the nursing home. She was a homemaker and had been employed by the Lutheran Home. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church and its Lutheran Women's Auxiliary. She had volunteered many years at Shepherd of the Hill nursing home.

Surviving are a daughter, Jo Ann Heller of Kendallville; a son and daughter-in-law, Robert E. and Judy Ewell of Lincoln, Neb.; two sisters, Donna Belle Owen of Kendallville, and Lucille Dembickie of Garrett; five grandchildren, Cheryle Bruick and Lisa McCue, both of Kendallville, and Rachel, Lynda and Martha Ewell, all of Lincoln; and six great-grandchildren, Jessica, Joel and Julie Bruick and Lindsay, Verne and Sarah McCue, all of Kendallville.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Green; two brothers, William "Buzz" Owen and Donald Green; and her son-in-law, Don Heller.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Paul Griebel officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-7 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Kendallville Manor or St. John Lutheran Church.

Gwendellyn Spidel

KENDALLVILLE — Gwendellyn O. Spidel, 89, of Kendallville, died at 2:03 p.m. Saturday in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla. She had been seriously ill one month.

She was born in Kendallville March 18, 1909, to Vern and Norma (Imes) Smith. On April 3, 1927, in South Milford, she married Maynard Spidel, who preceded her in death in November 1945.

Mrs. Spidel retired in 1971 as a retail clerk for Sears in carpet sales. She was a member of Trinity Church United Methodist, Kendallville.

Surviving are three daughters, Joy E. Krug of Kendallville, Evelyne Rowe of Wolcottville, and Carolyn J. Knott of Haines City, Fla.; two sons, Theodore R. Spidel of Kendallville, and Charles E. Spidel of Largo, Fla.; 18 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, Carroll Spidel; three brothers, Clark Smith, Norman "Huck" Smith and Milton Smith; and a sister, Ediebelle Roderick.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Trinity Church United Methodist, with the Rev. Dr. Daniel R. Barker officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity Church United Methodist.

Eleanor Manning

AUBURN — Eleanor L. Manning, 70, of Auburn, died Friday at 4 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Manning was a homemaker. She was born Jan. 10, 1928, in Coulterville, Ill., to the late Jessie and Mildred (Varnum) Rogers.

Surviving are three daughters, LaDonna (and husband, John) Hassett of Fremont, Barbara Manning of Fremont and Debra (and husband, Steve) Meeks of Fremont; a son, Michael (and wife, Bev) Manning of Fremont; two brothers, Kenneth and Curtis Rogers, both of California; three sisters, Mary Hermes of Illinois, Joyce Dobro of California, and Judy Sparling of Illinois; 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Bobby Manning, preceded her in death in 1995. She also was preceded in death by a sister and two brothers.

Friends may call Tuesday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home with the Rev. Scott Shoaff officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Gwendellyn O. Spidel**, 89, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Trinity Church United Methodist. Calling from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

LIGONIER — **Ides L. Paulus**, 96, died Saturday. Graveside services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Salem Cemetery. Calling from noon until 1:30 p.m. in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **John R. Yunker**, 84, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Marie Schiffli

AUBURN — Marie Ruppert Schiffli, 87, died today at 5:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, where she had resided two weeks.

She was a homemaker and member of Elkhart Deanery National Council of Catholic Women, Franklin Township Home Demonstration Club, Daughters of Isabelle of Garrett, DeKalb County Democrat Women's Club, and Bar None Saddle Club.

Mrs. Schiffli was born Feb. 25, 1911, in Waterloo to the late Frederick and Emma (Jerger) Reinig.

She married Vincent Ruppert in 1940 and he died in 1979. She married Leo F. Schiffli in 1983 and he died in 1991.

Surviving her are two sons, Alfred Ruppert of South Haven, Mich., and Gerard (and wife, Laura) Ruppert of Hamilton; two daughters, Marilyn Freiburger of Kendallville and Marietta (and husband, Rod) Barnett of Waterloo; a sister-in-law, Rosa Ruppert of Auburn; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One brother, Monsignor Alfred Reinig, and one sister, Velma Campbell, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A rosary service will be recited Thursday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will take place Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Father David Carkenord officiating. Friends may call at the church after 9 a.m. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Gleason Williamson

WATERLOO — Gleason Robert Williamson, 96, died Monday afternoon at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Williamson had worked as a machinist at Phelps Dodge Corp. in Fort Wayne and was a member of the Hamilton Wesleyan Church. He lived on County Road 6, Waterloo.

He was born Aug. 6, 1901, in Larwill to the late Delmar and Maude (Hathaway) Williamson.

He married Martha Lenora Eger on Feb. 28, 1935, in Larwill, and she died Aug. 2, 1983.

Surviving him are two daughters, Donna (Mrs. Ron) Smith of Pleasant Lake and Joyce Williamson of Steubenville, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

Two sisters, Irma Beard and Henrietta Rager, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-9 p.m. at Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in the Hamilton Wesleyan Church with the Rev. David Leitzel officiating. Burial will take place in Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the church or for Gideon Bibles.

Helena Dahman

AUBURN — Helena A. Benecke Dahman, 92, died Saturday at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was born in Fort Wayne. She worked at Gotham Hosiery for 24 years and at Wayne Feed for 19 years. She was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church.

Surviving her are one daughter, Sharon Gephart of Auburn; five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Edward, preceded her in 1937.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Concordia Lutheran Church, 4245 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne, with calling after noon. Burial will take place in Concordia Cemetery Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Kelly Mossbarger

AUBURN — Kelly Reneé Mossbarger, 16, died Saturday about 5 a.m. in a one-car crash in Steuben County.

She was a sophomore at DeKalb High School and lived on Dennison Lane in Auburn.

Miss Mossbarger was born July 1, 1981, in Auburn.

Surviving her are her father, Clinton Mossbarger of New Haven; her mother and stepfather, Donna and David M. Greenfield of Auburn; one brother, Mike Mossbarger of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Rhonda and Lorraine Mossbarger, both of Tennessee; a stepbrother, Isaac Greenfield of Churubusco; two stepsisters, Bronwen Greenfield and Caitlin Greenfield, both of Churubusco, a grandmother, Laura Goings of Auburn; and a stepgrandmother, Coralyn Greenfield of Auburn.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. Donovan Coley Sr. will officiate. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association or DeKalb County Drug Task Force.

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Deuitch

MICHIGAN CITY — Richard H. Deuitch, 79, died Monday at 2:15 p.m. in Canterbury Nursing Home, Valparaiso.

Mr. Deuitch lived in Michigan City and formerly lived in Garrett. He owned his own barber shop in Westville before his retirement and was a painter at Midwest Steel in Burns Harbor for 14 years. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy and was a prisoner of war for 3 1/2 years during wartime. He was a Purple Heart recipient.

He was a member of American Legion Post 178, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, all in Garrett; National Ex-POWs, and the American Defender of Bataan, Corregidor. He was a fourth-degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

He was born July 31, 1918, in Garrett to the late Henry and Mary Loretta (Long) Deuitch.

He married Blanche K. Swihart on July 20, 1973 in Valparaiso, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Sandra McQuarrie of Priest River, Idaho, Mary Ann Huckstedt of LaPorte and Theresa Johnson of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; one son, Richard K. of South Bend; two stepdaughters, Lori Hannon of LaPorte and Mari McVay of South Bend; one stepson, Karl Swihart of Westville; three brothers, Norbert of Garrett, John of LaPorte and Robert of Washington, D.C.; one sister, Anna Katherine Nichols of Kouts; 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Four brothers preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Newhard Funeral Home, Westville, where a wake service will begin at 7 p.m.

A funeral Mass will be conducted Thursday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary Catholic Church, Otis, Ind., with Father Joseph Pusateri officiating.

Friends also may call Friday from 9-11 a.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

A graveside service and burial will take place Friday at 11:30 a.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. Father Thom Lombardi of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, will officiate. Military services will be conducted by the Garrett posts of the American Legion and VFW.

Dorcas Wolfe

WEEPING WATER, Neb. — Dorcas D. Wolfe, 80, died Monday in her home in Weeping Water, Neb.

She formerly lived in Auburn, Bryan, Ohio, and Lexington, Neb. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and its Relief Society in Nebraska City, Neb., and had been an officer and teacher in the church. She was a member of a home demonstration club in Auburn and a former member of Sweet Adelines.

Mrs. Wolfe was born April 25, 1918, in LaMar, Mo. Her birth parents, George Earl and Bertha Mae (Boylan) Landreth, and her adoptive parents, George H. and Lena (Wade) Roseman, all preceded her in death.

She married Kenneth LaMar Wolfe on July 3, 1940, in Garrett, and he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Connie White of Kearney, Neb.; one daughter and son-in-law, Lorna and Robert Hale of Gilbert, Ariz.; two sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Margret Wolfe of Weeping Water and Leslie and Linda Wolfe of Rapid City, S.D.; a daughter-in-law and her husband, Joan and Don Beckert of Sandy, Utah; 14 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and several other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by one son, Kenneth James Wolfe, five brothers and sisters, and two grandchildren.

Friends may call today until 9 p.m. (Nebraska time) in Fusselman-Wymore-Marshall Funeral Home in Weeping Water.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. (Nebraska time) in the funeral home, with calling after 9 a.m. Bishop Clifford Bracken of the Church of the Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Nebraska City will officiate. Burial will take place in Oakwood Cemetery, Weeping Water.

Memorial contributions may be given to Tabitha Hospice.

Earl Freeland

HUDSON — Earl R. Freeland, 85, of Hudson, died Monday at 7:25 p.m. in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Fort Wayne Aug. 8, 1912, to Joseph and Grace (Englehart) Freeland. On April 2, 1934, in Jasper, he married Rosa Kunz, who preceded him in death on Nov. 17, 1991.

Mr. Freeland was a 45-year Hudson resident after moving there from Fort Wayne. He retired from General Electric in 1972 after 32 years, and later raised and sold produce on his Hudson property. He was a member of the Catholic Church and served in the Civilian Conservation Corps for two years in the early 1930s.

Surviving are two daughters, Josephine Ritchie of Kendallville, and Rose Marie Woody and her husband, Roosevelt, of DeLand, Fla.; three sons and daughters-in-law, Don and Jacque Freeland of Dallas Center, Iowa, William and Karen Freeland of Kendallville, and Robert and Cecilia Freeland of Huntsville, Ala; one brother, Eugene Freeland of LaGrange; 16 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in St. Gaspar Catholic Church in Rome City with the Rev. Charles Mullen officiating. Burial will be at St. Gaspar Catholic Cemetery, Rome City.

Visitation is at Hutchins Funeral Home in Wolcottville from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. today, and one hour prior to services at the church. A rosary service will be held at Hutchins Funeral Home at 6:15 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

Hutchins Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Deaths/Funerals

Ruby Irene Stomm

ANGOLA — Ruby Irene Stomm, 75, died Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Stomm was a homemaker and attended Mount Pleasant United Brethren Church in Metz. She lived in rural Angola, east of Metz.

She was born Dec. 31, 1922, in Hamilton to the late Charlie Oliver Fee and Agnes Roberta (Everett) Fee.

She married Lowell Lee Stomm on June 27, 1942, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Lavon and Charlie, both of Angola; one daughter, Linda (Mrs. Larry) Thompson of Muncie; two brothers, Leland Fee of Auburn and Kenneth Fee of Hamilton; one sister, Marlene Jinnings (Mrs. Loren Jinnings Jr.) of Pleasant Lake; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

One brother, Ronald Fee, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 5-9 p.m. at Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Ron Moser and the Rev. Cliff Graves officiating. Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department.

James Neeley

MONTGOMERY, Mich. — James Neeley Jr., 64, died Tuesday at 11:15 p.m. at his residence in Montgomery.

Mr. Neeley was a tool and die maker, a veteran of the Korean War, a member of the Montgomery post of the American Legion; and a member of H.O.G.-Coldwater Sheriff's Posse.

He was born Nov. 27, 1933, in Canton, Ohio, to the late James and Della (Howard) Neeley.

Surviving are his wife of 18 years, Barbara; two sons, Mitchell (and wife, Theresa) Neeley of Montgomery, and James Neeley of Scottsboro, Ala.; six daughters, Teresa (and husband, Rick) VanDyne of Angola, Janie (and husband, Randy) VanDyne of Angola, Rebecca (and husband, Miles) Wheaton of Coldwater, Mich., Peggy (and husband, Randy) Kunkle of Brazil, Jackie (and husband, David) Malott of Angola, and Vicki Jo Neeley Peel of Montgomery; a stepson, Michael (and wife, Vickie) Coleman of Albion, Mich.; three stepdaughters, Deb (and husband, John) Carpenter of Fort Wayne, Pamela (and husband, Vernon) Ingram of Fort Wayne, and Dawn (and husband, Chuck) Miller of Wolcottville; three brothers, Robert (and wife, Dorothy) Neeley of Florida, Richard (and wife, Kathryn) Neeley of Marshall, Mich., and Dayton (and wife, Jane Ann) Neeley of Montgomery; two sisters, Hazel (and husband, Ron) Bunch of Angola, and Arizona Etheridge of Fremont; 30 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Penny, two brothers and a sister.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday in the funeral home with the Rev. Tommy Johnson officiating. Burial will be in California Cemetery, Branch County, Mich. Military rites will be conducted by the Montgomery American Legion.

Memorial donations may be made to Love Your Family in care of the funeral home.

Area Deaths

NOBLESVILLE — **Paul E. Henry**, 59, died Tuesday. Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Andrew Catholic Church, 2610 New Haven Ave. Calling from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Mungovan & Sons Memorial Chapel, 2114 S. Calhoun St., with a rosary service at 4:30 p.m. Calling also one hour before services at the church.

INDIANAPOLIS — **Melany Gail Holmes**, 43, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday at Jesus is the Word Church, Indianapolis, with calling from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Friday and 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the church. Memorial services at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 3705 S. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne.

The Evening Star, Fri., June 12, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

KENDALLVILLE — **Bernis Bolen**, 60, of Kendallville, died at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday in his residence. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Jerry Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery. Visitation is from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Sat., June 13, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Howard Tucker

HUNTERTOWN — Howard G. Tucker, 76, of Huntertown, died Friday at 2:15 a.m. in Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Tucker was the owner-operator of Tucker Star Petroleum for 43 years, retiring in 1986.

He was a member of Huntertown Lodge 689 F&AM, Order of the Eastern Star Churubusco Chapter 136, and the Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department, of which he was chief from 1951-52.

He was born in Allen County on Feb. 12, 1922, to Horace M. and Fluella B. (Deaton) Tucker.

He is survived by a son, Terry L. Tucker of Huntertown; a daughter, Sharon L. Tucker of Corunna; a brother, Horace "Dike" Tucker of Huntertown; a sister, Carol V. Jensen of Huntertown; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rita Mae (Leach) Tucker, a brother, Cooney Tucker, and a sister, Dorothy Sanders.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne, with the Rev. Max Smith officiating.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana, 3024 Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne, IN 46807.

Deaths/Funerals

Dale Lockwood

AUBURN — Dale O. Lockwood, 83, died Saturday at 5 p.m. in his home on County Road 427, Auburn.

Mr. Lockwood was a troubleshooter for the Indiana Bell Telephone Co. for 38 years, retiring in 1974. He served in the Signal Corps of the U.S. Army in World War II.

He was a member of the Auburn First United Methodist Church, Telephone Pioneers of America, Auburn American Legion Post 97, DeKalb Masonic Lodge 214, Draft Pony Association of Indiana, Bar-None Saddle Club of Auburn, DeKalb County Draft Horse Association, Auburn Cord Duesenberg Association and Circus Museum of Baraboo, Wis.

Lockwood

He was a captain and former member of the DeKalb County Sheriff's Posse and a former member of the DeKalb County Fair Association.

He was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the Indiana Association of County and District Fairs in 1997.

He was born March 12, 1915, in Auburn to the late Bert and Nettie (Olinger) Lockwood.

He married Wanda Seavers on July 22, 1948, in Angola, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Terry Lockwood of Auburn; a foster son, Maurice Ordway of Auburn; and four grandchildren, Vic Perkins, Tamara Harris, and Lance and Kent Ordway.

One sister and brother-in-law, Georgia and Carl Dennison, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. William Caster of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Bar-None Saddle Club or the DeKalb County Draft Horse Association.

Nichole Gipple

BUTLER — Nichole Lynn Gipple, 12, died Friday at 7 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, from injuries received in a car crash on Thursday.

She would have been a seventh-grade student at Eastside Junior-Senior High School next fall. She was elected cheerleader for the seventh grade for the next school year. She performed in the Eastside High School musical, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and was on the sixth-grade Math Bowl team. She was a cross country runner and played for the Steel Dynamics Inc. team in the Butler Girls Softball League.

Miss Gipple was born May 14, 1986, in Auburn. She is survived by her mother and stepfather, Shelley A. (Stevens) and James L. Wolfe of Butler; and her father and stepmother, Ronnie and Donna Gipple of Ashley.

Also surviving her are two stepbrothers, Brad and Cory Wolfe of Butler; a stepsister, Kelly Wolfe of Butler; a half-brother, Ronnie Gipple Jr. of Ashley; her grandparents, Charles and Sue Ann Stevens of Ashley, and Bill and Linda Gipple of Ashley; her stepgrandparents, Raymond and Ruth Testor of Waterloo and Ralph Dean Wolfe of South Milford; and her great-grandparents, Paul and Addie Stevens of Colon, Mich., and Juanita Brandon of Arkansas.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Butler United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Parkview Pediatric ICU/CCU or the Indiana Organ Procurement Organization.

Richard Parker

WATERLOO — Richard L. Parker, 66, died Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in his home on County Road 427, Waterloo.

Mr. Parker was a baker for Richard's Bakery in Fort Wayne for 32 years, retiring in 1966.

He was born May 18, 1932, in Fort Wayne to the late Clarence William and Anna E. (Sunday) Parker.

He married Dessie Kindig on Nov. 24, 1951, in Jones, Mich., and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Ronald of Waterloo; one brother, Douglas of El Paso, Texas; one sister, Iris Woodcox of Antwerp, Ohio; three grandsons, Stephen, David and Benjamin Parker, and one great-grandson, Coby David Parker.

One brother, Robert, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

H.S. VanCleave

ORLAND — H.S. VanCleave, 86, of Orland, died May 31 in Lakeland, Fla.

Mr. VanCleave, a truck driver, was born Jan. 25, 1912, to the late Luther T. and Clara M. VanCleave.

Surviving are a daughter, Joan White of Orland; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife and a daughter.

There will be no calling. Memorial services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland, with the Rev. Mark Emelander officiating.

Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Evening Star, Mon., June 15, 1998 (cont'd)

Vera Ranney

AUBURN — Vera E. Ranney, 80, died Saturday at 1 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Ranney was a homemaker and a lifelong Auburn resident. She was member of the Auburn Church of the Nazarene.

She was born March 24, 1918, in Auburn to the late Leroy E. and Anna R. (Jackson) Haywood.

She married Ronald D. Ranney on March 19, 1943, in Angola and he died in 1978.

Surviving her are three sons, Dave Porter of Angola, Ronald Ranney II of Vero Beach, Fla., and James Ranney of Springfield, Ohio; two daughters, Ruth Anne Weilbaker of Auburn and Christie Heiman of Garrett; one brother, Robert Haywood of Auburn; two sisters, Ruth Groves of Leo and Esther Read of LaPorte; 19 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Rick Garmon of the Auburn Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will take place in Cedar Creek Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Lucille Wilske

ANGOLA — L. Lucille Wilske, 88, of Angola, died Sunday at 12:15 a.m. at University Park Nursing Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Wilske, a homemaker, was a member of the Angola United Methodist Church.

She was born July 9, 1909, in Otterville, Ill., to the late William and Ada (McDaniel) Lehmkuhl.

On June 11, 1932, she married Julius Ernest Wilske, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a daughter, Judith Hylbert of Angola; a grandchild and a great-grandchild.

Services will be conducted at a later date. There will be no calling. Cremation will take place Tuesday at Northern Indiana Crematory, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are being made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola United Methodist Church or the Heart Fund.

Nora Crooks

MONTGOMERY, Mich. — Nora M. Crooks, 89, of Montgomery, died Saturday at 4 a.m. at her residence.

Mrs. Crooks worked for 17 years as an Indiana Toll Road restaurant cook.

She was born March 2, 1909, in Steuben County to the late Theodore and Effie (Heroy) Blotter.

Surviving are a son, Robert Richards of Sturgis, Mich.; a daughter, Joann Holliday of Montgomery; three sisters, Emma May of Allen, Mich., Thresa Snyder of Denver, and Pearl King of Fremont; two brothers, Clifton Blotter of Jackson, Mich., and Theodore Blotter of Coldwater, Mich.; 15 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 44 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two husbands, Enos Richards and Arthur Crooks; two sons, two daughters, a grandchild, four great-grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters.

Friends may call today from 3-8:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Diane Stone officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

June Smolinske

KENDALLVILLE — June G. Smolinske, 81, of Kendallville, died at 9:35 p.m. Saturday in her residence following a two-month illness.

She was born in Duluth, Minn., May 11, 1917, to Arthur William and Gertrude (Nowak) Berg. On April 1, 1958, in Albion, she married Charles L. "Chuck" Smolinske. He preceded her in death in February 1982.

Mrs. Smolinske, formerly of Fort Wayne, moved to this area in 1958. She was a homemaker and a member of Eagles Aerie 985, American Legion Auxiliary, Royal Neighbors of America, Kendallville Senior Citizens, and Wayne Township Extension Homemakers' Club.

Surviving are three daughters, Tammy Smith of LaGrange, Janine Smolinske of Angola, and Angie Atteberry of Syracuse; a stepdaughter, Susan Pfeiffer of Kendallville; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, a granddaughter and a grandson.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Jacob Gall officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home where Eagles Auxiliary services will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to Fort Wayne Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice.

Area Deaths

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Bruce E. Logan**, 49, died Sunday. Funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in St. Gaspar Catholic Church, Rome City. Calling from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Deaths/Funerals

Harold Clark

ANGOLA — Harold Lyle Clark, 92, of Angola, died Sunday at 10:30 a.m. at Vencor Hospital, LaGrange.

Mr. Clark served as a master sergeant in World War II. A longtime member of the Angola Rotary Club, he was the retired co-owner of the Angola Garage.

He was born May 26, 1906, in Albion, Mich., to the late Leonard B. and Jessie (Sweeny) Clark.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Al Clark, on June 14, 1996.

Graveside services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola, with the Rev. Robert Staup officiating.

Arrangements are being made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

David Jetmore

HUNTERTOWN — David H. Jetmore, 75, of rural Huntertown, died at 8:15 a.m. Monday in Sacred Heart Home in Avilla. He had been in failing health for some time and a patient at the nursing home since October 1997.

He was born March 9, 1923, in Eel River Township, Allen County, to Harry E. and Cecelia (Heidrich) Jetmore. On Feb. 13, 1945, in Fort Wayne, he married Anna A. Laux. She survives.

Mr. Jetmore has lived in his present home near Huntertown for more than 40 years. He was formerly employed by General Electric in Fort Wayne and later was a truck driver for Kroger's. He was employed as a plumber at Slater Steels Corp. in Fort Wayne for 24 years, retiring from there in 1986. He was a member of St. John Bosco Catholic Church in Churubusco, where he served as an usher and a Holy Eucharist minister.

Surviving with his wife are five daughters and sons-in-law, Joyce and Gerald Ternet of Fort Wayne, Patricia and Randy King and Marianne and John Gordon, all of Avilla, Carol and Sol Wilson of Muncie, and Odelia Jetmore and Stan Searles of Huntertown; six sons and four daughters-in-law, David L. and Cheri Jetmore, Timothy and Debbie Jetmore and Harry E. Jetmore, all of Richmond, Robert L. and Rhonda Jetmore of Sedalia, Mo., Joseph A. Jetmore of Roanoke, and Jeffrey A. and Norma Jetmore of Auburn; a sister, Ethel Driver of Roanoke; a brother, Walter Jetmore of Churubusco; 32 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Jetmore and Robert Jetmore, and two sisters, Betty Jetmore and Bonnie Ridenour.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in St. John Bosco Catholic Church in Churubusco, with the Rev. Daniel E. Leeuw of Sacred Heart Home, the celebrant. Burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Arcola.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, where the Rosary will be recited at 7;30 p.m. Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are Masses to the church or to Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **John R Kiester**, 44, of Plano, Texas, died at 11 a.m. Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Ethel R. Deel**, 98, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, with calling after 10 a.m. Wednesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Elva Ernstine Wigent**, 94, died Monday. Services at 8 p.m. Friday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Polly Mills

KENDALLVILLE — Polly Mills, 70, died Tuesday at 1:45 p.m. in Extenda-Care, Kendallville.

Mrs. Mills was a homemaker and lived on South State Street in Kendallville.

She was born Nov. 30, 1927, in Knott County, Ky., to the late Andy and Eliza Jane (Conley) Coburn.

She married Otis G. Mills on April 20, 1959, in Kalamazoo, Mich., and he survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Earl and Bonnie Conley of Corunna; three stepdaughters, Carol Ramose and Betty Hunt, both of California, and Sandra Romero of Pennsylvania; two brothers, Clester Coburn of Corunna and Chester Coburn of LaGrange; one sister Martha Sells of Lisbon; two grandsons, John and Bryan Conley; eight stepgrandchildren; one great-grandson, Tyler Conley; and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

Three brothers, Bee Coburn, Rell Coburn and Mickel Coburn, and one sister, Mae Fitch, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Lee Combs officiating. Burial will take place in the Sedan Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Loyal Norton

AUBURN — Loyal Fredrick Norton, 76, died Monday at 8:40 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Norton worked at International Harvester in Fort Wayne for 23 years, retiring in 1983. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, rural Auburn. He lived in Auburn.

He was born Nov. 19, 1921, in Alma, Mich., to Loyd and Rachel (Kreeps) Norton.

He married Virginia Luedtke on Dec. 20, 1945, in Racine, Wis., and she survives.

Also surviving are four sons and daughters-in-law, Gary and Deb Norton of St. Joe, Grant and Pam Norton of Butler, Larry and Gail Norton, also of Butler, and Jerry and Kay Norton of Auburn; four brothers, Jack of Sturgis, Mich., Keith of Tampa, Fla., Ward of Brooksville, Fla., and Glen of Vernon, Fla.; two sisters, Pearl Terrell of Sturgis and Lena Ankney of Oregon; 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, rural Auburn, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. Stevan Haiflich will officiate, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Norma Paul

AUBURN — Norma E. Paul, 89, died Sunday at 8:50 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Paul was a teacher and a graduate of Drake University. She was a member of the Clarence Methodist Church in Clarence, Iowa, and a past treasurer of the WSCS.

She was born Aug. 29, 1908, in Des Moines, Iowa, to the late O.G.B. and Ethel Wessels.

She married Samuel G. Paul on June 10, 1935, in Ames, Iowa, and he died Jan. 7, 1995.

Surviving her are one son and daughter-in-law, Norman and Sally Paul of Auburn; one brother-in-law, John Paul of Clarence; two grandchildren, Mark Paul of Auburn and Meegan Braun of Fort Wayne; and four great-grandchildren.

One sister preceded her in death.

A private family memorial service will be conducted Friday at the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, with the Rev. Karen Koelsch officiating. Burial will take place at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

There will be no visitation. McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Patrick Allen Gordon**, 44, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Merriam Christian Chapel, Merriam. Calling 2-8 p.m. Thursday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church on Friday.

LAGRANGE — **Minnie M. Caudill**, 75, died Monday. Services at 5:30 p.m. today in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, and 2 p.m. Friday in Northcutt & Son Funeral Home, Moorehead, Ky. Calling 3:30-5:30 p.m. today in Carney-Frost and from noon-2 p.m. Friday in Northcutt.

Deaths/Funerals

L D Shull

AUBURN — L D Shull, 80, died today at 7:52 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Shull retired in 1975 from Smith Transfer in Fort Wayne and lived in Auburn. He was a former member of the First United Methodist Church, Elks Lodge and Moose Lodge, all in Auburn.

He was born Sept. 20, 1917, in Ashley to the late Thomas and Florence (Foltz) Shull.

He married Garnet M. Fouts on Feb. 20, 1937, in Fort Wayne, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Glenn of Minneapolis, Minn., and Ron of Auburn; one daughter, Sheila Purdy of Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Six brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

H.S. VanCleave

ORLAND — H.S. VanCleave, 86, of Orland, died May 31 in Lakeland, Fla.

Mr. VanCleave, a truck driver, was born Jan. 25, 1912, to the late Luther T. and Clara M. VanCleave.

Surviving are a daughter, Joan White of Orland; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred (Bussard) VanCleave, in 1987; a daughter and a granddaughter.

There will be no calling. Memorial services took place today in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland, with the Rev. Mark Emelander officiating.

Arrangements were made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

James Rex

WAWAKA — James Earl Rex, 75, of Wawaka, died at 2:03 a.m. Wednesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Sept. 12, 1922, in Noble Township, Noble County, to Charles and Tessie (Pressler) Rex. On May 26, 1951, in Columbia City, he married Helen L. Bond. She survives.

Mr. Rex grew up in Noble County, attending Wolf Lake High School. He spent part of his adult life in Columbia City, moving to Auburn in 1956. He then moved to Brimfield and had resided there since 1963. He had been a truck driver for U.S. Rubber Co., Fort Wayne, and then was a bartender at the Boat Club, Columbia City. He also owned and operated the Duck Inn in Auburn from 1956-63. He drove a truck for Newnam Foundry beginning in 1962 and for Lane Foundry, retiring in September 1995.

He was a member of Teamsters Local Union 363 since 1963, the Moose Lodge in Auburn, VFW Post 2749 in Kendallville, and Rome City American Legion Post 381 in which he was a member 53 years.

Surviving with his wife are a son and daughter-in-law, Terry and Judy Jones of Kendallville; three grandchildren, Jennifer A. Jones of Kendallville, Tamatha Niccum of Fort Wayne, Dalton James Jones of Albion; a brother, Howard Rex of Kendallville; two sisters, Mary Gephart of Columbia City and Marie Harrison of LaPorte; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with the Rev. Mike Neff officiating. Burial will be in Ormas Cemetery, Noble County.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to V.F.W. Post 2749 in Kendallville.

Deaths/Funerals

Lois Leonard

CONNERSVILLE — Lois Vivian Leonard, 76, died Thursday at Caroleton Manor. She had been in failing health for the past 1 1/2 years.

She was born Sept. 21, 1921 in Fayette County to Oran and Audrey Crandel, who preceded her in death.

She married Robert W. Leonard on Aug. 18, 1944, in Connersville, and he died on April 5, 1998.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women. She was a member of the Fayette Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. She was employed by the Fayette County Welfare Department for 30 years, retiring in 1985.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Janice and Richard Barber, and one granddaughter, Melissa Ann Barber, all of Auburn.

Funeral services will take place Monday at 10 a.m. in the Urban-Winkler Funeral Home, Connersville, with The Rev. Steve Brackney and the Rev. Linda Brackney officiating.

Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday from 4-8 p.m.

Burial will be in Dale Cemetery.

The following obituary is being reprinted to provide additional information.

James Rex

WAWAKA — James Earl Rex, 75, of Wawaka, died at 2:03 a.m. Wednesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Sept. 12, 1922, in Noble Township, Noble County, to Charles and Tessie (Pressler) Rex. On May 26, 1951, in Columbia City, he married Helen L. Bond. She survives.

Mr. Rex grew up in Noble County, attending Wolf Lake High School. He spent part of his adult life in Columbia City, moving to Auburn in 1956. He then moved to Brimfield and had resided there since 1963. He had been a truck driver for U.S. Rubber Co., Fort Wayne, and then was a bartender at the Boat Club, Columbia City. He also owned and operated the Duck Inn in Auburn from 1956-63. He drove a truck for Newnam Foundry beginning in 1962 and for Lane Foundry, retiring in September 1995.

He was a member of Teamsters Local Union 363 since 1963, the Moose Lodge in Auburn, VFW Post 2749 in Kendallville, and Rome City American Legion Post 381 in which he was a member 53 years.

Surviving with his wife are a son and daughter-in-law, Terry and Judy Jones of Kendallville; grandchildren, Jennifer A. Jones of Kendallville, and Mike and Tamatha L. Niccum of Fort Wayne; a great-grandson, Dalton James Jones of Albion; a brother, Howard Rex of Albion; two sisters, Mary Gephart of Columbia City and Marie Harrison of LaPorte; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with the Rev. Mike Neff officiating. Burial will be in Thorn Cemetery, Ormas.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to V.F.W. Post 2749 in Kendallville.

James Johnson

KENDALLVILLE — The Rev. James R. Johnson, 76, of Kendallville, died at 6:46 a.m. today in McCray Memorial Hospital. He had been ill 3 1/2 years.

He was born in Wayland, Ky., Aug. 30, 1921, to William S. and Vina (Conley) Johnson. His first wife, May Goldie Ramey, preceded him in death in 1992. In February 1992, he married Mirtlee (Chaffins) Sparkman. She survives.

The Rev. Johnson was a veteran of World War II as a sergeant in the U.S. Army. He retired in 1986 from Teledyne in Lima, Ohio. He was a member of United Baptist Rock of Ages Church in Rome City.

Surviving with his wife are a son, Noel Johnson of Garrett; three stepsons, Marvin Sparkman of Hueysville, Ky., Jimmy Sparkman of Kendallville, and Leo Sparkman of Garrett; two stepdaughters, Minnie Dean of Kendallville and Christine Johnson; two sisters; three brothers; three grandchildren; 11 stepgrandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville Saturday at 5 p.m. with the Rev. Mitch Patrick, the Rev. Glen Patrick and the Rev. Jimmy Shepherd officiating. Burial will be in Laurel Fork Cemetery, Quicksand, Ky.

Additional services will be held in Hindman Funeral Home, Hindman, Ky., with visitation there after 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

Deaths/Funerals

Jeanette Isa Lyke

FORT WAYNE — Jeanette Isa Lyke, 76, died Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born in Mahaska County, Iowa, and was a teacher.

She is survived by her husband, Floyd B.; a daughter, Pam Horton of Angola; a son, David K. of Pensacola, Fla.; and a brother, C. Boyd McConnell of Missouri.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Genevieve Lowenberg.

A celebration service will take place Saturday at 7 p.m. at the River of Life Christian Fellowship, Decatur Road.

Memorial contributions may be made to T.L.C., P.O. Box 365, Howe, IN 46746.

Beulah Parsons

ANGOLA — Beulah N. Parsons, 92, died Friday at 8:15 a.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center in Angola.

Mrs. Parsons was born July 26, 1905, in DeKalb County, to William and Mary (Ketel) Lower. She married her first husband, Vincent L. Cremean, in 1929, and her second husband, Oscar Parsons, in 1973. Both preceded her in death.

She worked at the Psi Iota Psi Bargain Corner for 28 years until her retirement in 1996. She was a member of the Angola Church of Christ and Angola Chapter 78 of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Parsons is survived by a daughter, Patsy Bratton of Angola; a sister, Mabel Lower of Auburn; two grandchildren, Michael Bratton of Angola and Elaine Orr of Alphena, Mich.; one stepgreat-grandson and one great-great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. in the Klink Funeral Home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe and the Rev. Robert Knowlson officiating.

Friends may call Sunday from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Eastern Star Services will be Sunday at 6 p.m.

Burial will be in Flint Cemetery in Angola.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cameron Home Health Care & Hospice.

William Gaier

INDIANAPOLIS — William G. Gaier, 83, died Thursday at Community North Hospital in Indianapolis.

Mr. Gaier was a pressman for the Indianapolis Star & News for 25 years, retiring in 1982. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Air Force and received the Bronze Star. He was a member of the Northview Church of the Brethren and lived in Indianapolis.

He was born Aug. 4, 1914, in Springfield, Ohio.

Surviving him are his wife, Marjorie (Carle) Gaier; three sons, Robert Gaier of Auburn, John W. Gaier and Dr. James R. Gaier; one daughter, Barbara Lanum; one brother, Roger V. Gaier; and 12 grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Northview Church of the Brethren.

Flanner & Buchanan Lawrence Funeral Home, Indianapolis, is in charge of arrangements.

Mary A. Clabaugh

GARRETT — Mary A. Clabaugh, 83, died Friday at 8:20 a.m. in Woodview Healthcare Center in Fort Wayne.

Formerly from Garrett, Mrs. Clabaugh lived in Fort Wayne since 1995. She worked as a secretary for the Four-County Vocational Co-Op, retiring in 1982. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Rosary Society.

She was born June 3, 1915, in Huntington, to George and Isabella (Karst) Yaste. She married Kenneth E. Clabaugh May 23, 1941, in Huntington, and he died Jan. 1, 1961.

Surviving are three daughters, Martha Rodenbeck and Peg Yarde, both of Fort Wayne and Jean Klinker of Woodburn; one son, Jerry Clabaugh; of Killeen, Texas; three sisters, Martha Gentis of Garrett, and Jan Spotts and Ruth Wasmuth, both of Huntington; one sister-in-law, Irene Yaste of Huntington; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One sister, Dorothy Shafer, and one brother, Charles Yaste, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Father Jim Shafer from St. Bavo Catholic Church in Mishawaka, officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Garrett.

Friends may call Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, and one hour before the funeral services Tuesday at the church. There will be a Rosary Monday at 3:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to Masses, the Alzheimer Association or the American Heart Association.

Wanda McCart

AUBURN — Wanda B. McCart, 83, died Thursday at 9 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

A former Indianapolis resident, Mrs. McCart worked as a private duty nurse for 30 years, retiring in 1975. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

She was born Nov. 18, 1914, in Cumberland County, Ill., to A.B. and Anna (Sims) Rhoades. She married Ray T. McCart, Nov. 22, 1937, in Washington, Ind., and he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Wanda VanDevanter of Kirkland, Wash.; two sons, Thomas McCart of Tell City, and Joseph McCart of Garrett; one sister, Hollys Cutts of Toledo, Ill., three grandchildren, Molly McCart of Muncie, John McCart of Garrett, and Tom McCart of Anaheim, Calif.

One sister and one brother preceded her in death.

Services will take place Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

Friends may call Monday from 6-9 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, and one hour prior to funeral services Tuesday a the church. The Rosary will be said at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

196

The Evening Star, Mon., June 22, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Hubert Moughler

WATERLOO — Hubert D. Moughler, 80, died Sunday at 5:31 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Moughler retired in November 1979 with 30 years of service as the Waterloo postmaster. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, and a member of the Waterloo post of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Butler Community Bible Church and the National Association of Retired Postmasters.

He was born Feb. 1, 1918, in Wilmington Township to the late Glenn and Severnia (Wagner) Moughler.

He married Marna M. Houser on May 10, 1941, in Waterloo, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Joyce Ann Barton of Lafayette; two sons and daughters-in-law, Dale and Connie Moughler of Waterloo, and Craig and Jane Moughler of Lexington, Ky.; seven grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Carolyn Sue Moughler; and one sister, Kathryn Emme.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Robert Courtney officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or Youth For Christ.

Vincent Cook

HUNTERTOWN — Vincent S. Cook, 80, died Friday at 8 p.m. in his Huntertown home.

Mr. Cook was an engineer at General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne for 41 years. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a member and past master of the Huntertown Masonic Lodge, and belonged to York Rite and the Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Club-KA9ULN.

He was born Jan. 9, 1918, in Fort Wayne to the late Samuel and Esther (Dupont) Cook.

He married Wanetta Miller on June 30, 1940, in Fort Wayne, and she died June 28, 1984.

Surviving him are three sons, Steve of Huntertown, Vincent Cook II of Daytona Beach, Fla., and Bruce of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Carol Cooke-Minnix of Newburgh; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Alan Black, pastor of the County Line Church of God, officiating. Burial will take place in Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett.

Beulah Parsons

ANGOLA — Beulah Parsons, 92, of Angola, died Friday at 8:15 a.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Parsons worked at Psi Iota Psi Bargain Corner for 28 years until her retirement in 1996. She was a member of the Angola Church of Christ and Angola Chapter 78 of the Eastern Star.

She was born July 26, 1905, in DeKalb County to the late William and Mary (Ketel) Lower.

She is survived by a daughter, Patsy Bratton of Angola; a sister, Mabel Lower of Auburn; two grandchildren, Michael Bratton of Angola and Elaine Orr of Alpena, Mich.; a stepgrandchild; a stepgreat-grandson; and a great-great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Vincent L. Cremean, in 1929; her second husband, Oscar Parsons, in 1973; a granddaughter, Patricia Haifley; and a sister, Goldia Miser.

Services were conducted today at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola. Burial was in Flint Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Home Health Care and Hospice.

Chad Chorpenning

HAMILTON — Chad Eric Chorpenning, 24, died Friday morning at Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg, Miss., from injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

He worked as a plumber at John Chorpenning Plumbing and was a1992 graduate of Hamilton High School.

He was born Sept. 28, 1973, in Angola to John L. and Norma J. (Hamman) Chorpenning. They survive in Hamilton.

He married Cassondra Lee Shelton on July 19, 1993, in Angola, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dexter Reed Chorpenning, at home; four bothers, Gregory of Hamilton, Jeffrey of Angola, Michael of Garrett and Kevin of Philadelphia; his maternal grandmother, Dorothy Dirr of Hamilton; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were conducted today at 1 p.m. in Hamilton Wesleyan Church, with the Rev. David Leitzel officiating. Burial was in Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Chorpenning Family Educational Fund, Gideon Bibles, or the church building fund.

Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton, was in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Max McCoy**, 80, died Friday. Services were today in Columbia City.

Deaths/Funerals

Annis Peckhart

CLOVERDALE, Ohio — Annis Hazel Peckhart, 97, died Monday at 5 a.m. in Paradise Oaks Nursing Home in Cloverdale, Ohio.

She formerly lived in Auburn and worked at the Auburn Post Card Factory (now Renaissance Publishing Co.). She was raised in the Catholic faith.

Miss Peckhart was born Sept. 15, 1900, in Auburn to Henry Carl and Wilhelmina Johanna (Lehmbeck) Peckhart.

She is survived by one sister, Edith Lydia Merriman of Cloverdale; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Ora, John, Marion and Edward Peckhart; and six sisters, Mary Groves, Helen Annweiler, Edna Refner, Aileen McCauley, Sophie Peckhart and Mabel Peckhart.

A graveside service will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, with the Rev. Diane Manon officiating. There will be no calling.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Timothy Herron

PIERCETON — Timothy W. "Freddie" Herron, 63, of Pierceton, died at 9:45 p.m. June 11 in Mason Health Center in Warsaw following an extended illness.

He was born Aug. 17, 1934, in Whitley County, to Dewey and Mildred (Bair) Herron. His mother survives.

Mr. Herron was an auto mechanic and had worked in Fort Wayne, Columbia City and most recently, Ligonier, where he worked for Ray Mullins Service Station for 13 years. He retired after working two years at Escan in Ligonier.

Surviving with his mother are his his wife, Carol; three daughters, Mrs. Dan (Cathy) Eberly of Ligonier, Mrs. Phillip (Lorrie) Bianski of LaOtto, and Mrs. Scott (Melanie) Gaff of Auburn; a son, Timothy F. Herron of Larwill; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and two sisters, Mrs. Raymond (Barbara) Sanderson and Mrs. Ronald (Adabelle) Hile.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mrs. Eldon "Bud" (Betty) Sheets.

Funeral services were held June 14, at 1 p.m. in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Funeral Home, Columbia City. Burial was in St. Matthews (Hively) Cemetery.

Wallace Vendrely

KENDALLVILLE — Wallace D. Vendrely, 87, of Kendallville, died at 1:05 p.m. Monday in Shepherd of the Hill Nursing Home. He had been ill approximately one year.

He was born in Payne, Ohio, Dec. 11, 1910, to Delbert and Lillian (White) Vendrely. On May 4, 1935, in Auburn, he married Mary Jane Beltz, who preceded him in death June 19, 1997.

Mr. Vendrely was a self-employed appliance repairman and retired in 1963. He was a member of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in LaOtto, and a life member of Community Leaders Club of California Lutheran University.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Max (Carma) Crist of Camarillo, Calif.; three sons, Thomas Vendrely of Silver City, N.M., Larry Vendrely of Kendallville, and Richard Vendrely of Talbott, Tenn.; two sisters, Iris Fisher of Toledo, Ohio, and Naotto Sylvester of Park Rapids, Minn.; a brother, Irving Vendrely of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Ernie.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Paul Griebel officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Shepherd of the Hill or to the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Lucille Heign**, 87, died Sunday. Graveside services were today in Brighton Cemetery.

KENDALLVILLE — **Ann L. (Lauver) McMahon**, 41, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in First Presbyterian Church, Kendallville. Calling 4-8 p.m. Wednesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

197 A

Deaths/Funerals

Melba Kope

ANGOLA — Melba E. Kope, 97, of Angola, died Monday at Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Mrs. Kope was a homemaker who lived in Steuben County all of her life. She was a past worker at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital and a member of the Angola Church of the Nazarene.

She was born Jan. 31, 1901, in Steuben County to the late Minard and Elizabeth Hemery Headley.

She married Guy R. Kope in 1917. He preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 1977.

She is survived by a son, Ronald DeWayne Kope of Anoka, Minn.; two daughters, Opal Beekman of Angola and Willa L. Davis of Milton, Del.; 17 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren and great-great-great grandchildren.

Also preceding her in death were three sons, Donald, Gaylord Wayne and Gordon Kope; one daughter, Pauline Shoup; three brothers; Orville, Gale and Vern Headley; and a sister, Imo Headley.

Friends may call Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Funeral services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday in the Angola Church of the Nazarene, with the Rev. Randy Marshall officiating. Burial will take place in the Kope Cemetery in Pleasant Township, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola Church of the Nazarene Heart Fund. Arrangements are being made by Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Arthur Miller Sr.

FORT WAYNE — Arthur C. Miller Sr., 82, died Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Miller lived in Auburn since 1957 until recently moving to Fort Wayne. He was a plant superintendent for Dittmer Gear & Manufacturing Co. in Lockport, N.Y., from 1938 to 1957. He was plant superintendent for Warner Gear from 1957 to 1969. He was general plant superintendent at the Auburn Foundry from 1969 until his retirement in 1981. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn.

He was born Dec. 26, 1915, in Pendleton, N.Y., to the late Charles E. and Frieda (Seifert) Miller.

He married Stella Hamm on Nov. 18, 1939, in Lockport, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Arthur C. Jr. of Bloomfield, Conn., and Bradley R. of Midland, Mich.; two daughters, Dohna Holocher of Englewood, Fla., and Elaine Schwenk of Miller Place, N.Y.; one sister, Ruth Pless of Lockport; and six grandchildren, Richard Bowman of Manhattan Beach, Calif., Angela Bowman of Fort Wayne, Michael Schwenk of Miller Place, Nate Tangsuwan of Bloomfield, and Megan and Julia Miller, both of Midland.

Friends may call Thursday From 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A rosary service will be recited Thursday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, with Father Raymond Balzer officiating. Burial will take place in the Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be given to the church.

Kenneth Pierce

RICHMOND, Ind. — Kenneth Pierce, 45, died Monday at 6 p.m. in Reed Hospital, Richmond.

He was a 1972 graduate of DeKalb High School.

Mr. Pierce was born March 2, 1953, in Mishawaka to Donald and Shelia (Ireland) Pierce. His mother survives in Greensburg, and his father is deceased.

Also surviving him is a sister, Yvonne Pierce of Auburn.

Services were conducted today at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial was in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Mabel Wallace

LIGONIER — Mabel H. Wallace, 83, of Ligonier, died Tuesday at 3 p.m. in Oak Leaf Village in Ligonier.

She was born Feb. 2, 1915, in DeKalb County, to Jess and Mertie (Craven) Gingerich. On May 3, 1935, in Michigan, she married Walter Wallace. He preceded her in death in 1983.

Mrs. Wallace, formerly employed by Sroufe Mfg. in Ligonier, also was employed by Essex Wire Corp. in Topeka. She retired in 1977.

Surviving are five sons, Robert Wallace of Silver Springs, Tenn., Richard Wallace and Cecil Wallace of Ligonier, Edward Wallace of DeLeon, Fla., and Donald Applegate of Hartford City; two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Hazel) Smith of Cromwell, and Janet Anglemeyer of Goshen; a brother, Harrison Gingrich of Fremont, Mich.; a sister, Hazel Strayer of LaGrange; 18 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Orr Funeral Home in Ligonier, with the Rev. Barbara LaVeck of the Cromwell United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Sparta Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

197 B

Deaths/Funerals

Velma Broadwater

AUBURN — Velma F. Broadwater, 94, died Wednesday at 4:45 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

A homemaker, she formerly lived on County Road 27, Auburn, and in Brownsville, Pa.

She was born Dec. 16, 1903, in Brown Field, Pa., to the late George J. and Bessie M. (Whoolery) Moser.

She married Ray Broadwater in 1925 and he died in 1981.

Surviving her are two sons, the Rev. Paul Broadwater of Kouts and Albert A. Broadwater of Doylestown, Pa.; two daughters, Delores Beal of Grafton, Ohio, and Evelyn Freeman of New Port Richey, Fla.; 12 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

One brother preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A service will be conducted Friday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Friends may call Sunday from 1-3 p.m. (Pennsylvania time) at Kisinger Funeral Home, 515 Front St., Brownsville, with a funeral service at 3 p.m. The Rev. Paul Broadwater will officiate at both services.

Burial will take place Monday at 1 p.m., with a graveside service in Chapel of Peace of LaFayette Memorial Park Cemetery in Briar Hill, Pa.

Urias Miller

LAGRANGE — Urias U. Miller, 79, of LaGrange, died at 10:05 a.m. Wednesday in his residence.

He was born Jan. 6, 1919, in Shipshewana, to Urias E. and Rebecca S. (Yoder) Miller. On Oct. 30, 1941, in Topeka, he married Beulah Miller. She preceded him in death Jan. 23, 1975. On Jan. 20, 1977, in Goshen, he married Edna Miller, who survives.

Mr. Miller, a lifetime LaGrange County resident, was a retired carpenter and farmer. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving with his wife are five daughters, Mrs. Ora Jay (Mary) Mishler and Mrs. Ernest (Wilma) Graber, both of Hillsboro, Wis., Mrs. Amos (Elsie) Bontrager of Shipshewana, Mrs. Mervin (Susie Mae) Lambright of LaGrange, and Mrs. Floyd (Esther) Miller of Fremont, Mich.; seven sons, Ervin and Alta Miller and Floyd and Anna Mae Miller, all of LaGrange, Perry and Sadie Miller of Middlebury, Andrew and Dorothy Miller of Bonduel, Wis., Urias Miller Jr. of Hillsboro, Melvin and Karen Miller of Angola, and Elmer and Brenda Miller of Hudson; a sister, Mrs. Noah M. (Lizzie Ann) Miller of Shipshewana; a brother, Andrew Miller of Shipshewana; 104 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Amanda Miller; a son, Elva Miller; a grandson, Joseph Graber; a sister and six brothers.

Funeral services will be at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in the Floyd Miller residence, 1505S—375W, LaGrange, with Amish Bishop Elroy O. Miller, Bishop Sam J.R. Miller and the Rev. Daniel Jay Bontrager officiating. Burial will be in Miller Cemetery, 300W — 350S, LaGrange.

Visitation is after 5 p.m. today and all day Friday in the Floyd Miller residence.

Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

John Mendenhall

ANGOLA — John Argyl Mendenhall, 85, of Angola, died Wednesday at 9:50 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

Mr. Mendenhall worked at Steuben County Farm Bureau, retiring in 1975.

He was born April 30, 1913, in LaOtto to John Wesley and Cora Ellen (Rhodes) Mendenhall.

His wife, Olaf Raypole Mendenhall, preceded him in death in 1996. A son, Argyl David Mendenhall, preceded him in death in 1976.

Surviving are two daughters, Kay Emerson of Westmoreland, and Beth E. Ireland of Palmer, Alaska; a foster daughter, Mary Shaw of Angola; 11 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, two step-great-grandchildren and several other foster children.

Friends may call at Klink Funeral Home in Angola after 10 a.m. Saturday. The Rev. Alan Gibson will conduct services in the funeral home at noon.

Burial will be in Perry Township Cemetery in Huntertown. Memorial contributions may be made to the Auburn Nazarene Church.

Area Deaths

KIMMELL — **Ronald S. Adair**, 79, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Saturday.

SYRACUSE — **Mary Helena (Hursey) Maggart Geller**, 75, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

John Biedrzycki

FORT WAYNE — John R. Biedrzycki, 92, died Wednesday at 1:40 p.m. at Kingston Care Center, Fort Wayne.

A former Garrett resident, he was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church and was a 50-year member of the Knights of Columbus. He retired in 1970 from the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, where he worked for 51 years as a machinist.

Mr. Biedrzycki was born Sept. 19, 1905, in Garrett to John and Helen (Deuitch) Biedrzycki, who preceded him in death.

He married Grace C. Leis on Nov. 8, 1944, in Akron, Ohio, and she survives.

Also surviving are a son, Robert T. Biedrzycki of Fort Wayne; a sister, Calamanda Nixon of Garrett; four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Also preceding him in death were five brothers, Anthony, Frank. Theodore, Paul, and Joseph Biedrzycki; and two sisters, Mary Schlotterer and Sister Mary Cassimira.

Services will be conducted Monday at 10 a.m. in St, Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with calling at the church after 9 a.m. Father Thom Lombardi will officiate. Burial will take place in the Calvary Cemetery in Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to a hospice or Masses.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

John Walley

MONGO — John C. Walley, 58, of rural Mongo, died at 2:26 a.m. Thursday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Nov. 24, 1939, in Williams County, Ohio, to Ben and Ruth (Dunlap) Walley. His father is deceased and his mother survives in Edgerton, Ohio. On May 3, 1985, he married Lorraine M. McNabb. She also survives.

Mr. Walley moved to LaGrange County in 1979 from Ohio. He is a retired employee of Vlasic Farms in Howe and a member of Mongo United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife and mother are four daughters, Emily Brown and Maria Skipper, both of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Rebecca Walley and Sara Walley, both of LaGrange; four stepsons, Scott Gingrich and Michael Prince, both of Mongo, Martin Gingrich of Shipshewana, and Jimmie Prince of Garrett; one sister, Kathy Grant of Greenwood; three brothers, Jerry Walley of Antwerp, Ohio, Jim Walley of Edgerton, and Steve Walley of Sterling Park, Va.; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. James Bartlett officiating. Burial will be in Springfield Township Cemetery, Mongo.

Visitation is from 2-6 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Mongo United Methodist Church.

Betty Easterday

KENDALLVILLE — Betty Easterday, 71, of Kendallville, died at 5:45 p.m. Thursday in St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. She had been ill approximately one month.

She was born Nov. 17, 1926, in DeKalb County to Warren and Cora (Beckberger) Hovarter. On Aug. 21, 1948, in Angola, she married Laurel Easterday Jr. He preceded her in death Dec. 23, 1985.

Mrs. Easterday was a 1945 graduate of Ashley High School. She had been employed by Kraft Foods 26 years and retired in 1987. She was a member of the Rollin' Oldies Car Club of Northern Indiana. She enjoyed gardening and yard work.

Surviving are two sons, Dennis Easterday Sr. of Kendallville, and David Easterday of Rome City; a sister, Bea Davis of Kendallville; a brother, Jimmy Hovarter of Kendallville; and four grandchildren Dennis Easterday Jr., Dana Easterday and Denise Easterday, all of Kendallville, and Jason Easterday of Rome City.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Jack, and two half-brothers.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Ann Marshall and the Rev. Larry Huberd officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Loleta M. Hile**, 92, died Thursday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Sat., June 27, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Fifer

PLEASANT LAKE — Robert C. Fifer, 83, of Pleasant Lake, died Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Fifer was a retired farmer and a member of the Pleasant Lake United Methodist Church, the Pleasant Lake Lions Club and the Alpha Farmer's Club.

He was born May 14, 1915, in Pleasant Lake to the late Shirley and Naomi Coyle Fifer.

He is survived by his second wife, Hilda Webb Fifer, whom he married on April 17, 1982.

Also surviving are two daughters, Shirley (and husband Larry) Houser of Hamilton and Sharon (and husband Don) Waymire, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Maurine, in 1981.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-8 p.m. at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. Glenda Woodcox officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery, Pleasant Lake.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pleasant Lake United Methodist Church.

Arrangements are being made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Theresa Rzepa

ANGOLA - Theresa Rzepa, 69, of Angola, died Wednesday at 10 p.m. in her home.

She had retired from work at the Patsy Ann Cookie factory in Blue Island, Ill.

She was born Sept. 14, 1928, in Posen, Ill., to Martin and Frances (Wojtas) Rzepa.

Surviving are a brother, Casimir Rzepa of Posen, Ill., and a sister, Sylvia Gurzynski of Angola.

Friends may call Sunday from 5-9 p.m. at the Adducci-Zimni Funeral Home in Posen.

Services will be conducted Monday at 9:30 a.m. in St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Posen.

Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Calumet City.

Lorn Osborn

OSSIAN — Lorn E. "Ozzie" Osborn, 76, of Ossian, died Wednesday at his home.

The St. Joe native retired in 1981 after 38 years as a truck driver for Konosha Auto Transport.

He is survived by a son, Michael E. of Fort Wayne; a sister, Barbara J. Hawn of Pierceton; a brother, Robert of Akron; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today at Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, with burial in Harrison Center Cemetery, Warsaw.

The Evening Star, Mon., June 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Phyllis Case

ANGOLA — Phyllis K. Case, 70, of Angola, died Sunday at 12:45 a.m. in her home.

She had resided in Angola for six years and was employed at Advo Advertising in Michigan in the quality control department.

She was born Nov. 15, 1927, in Detroit to the late Walter W. and Edna (Gray) Davis.

Surviving are three sons, James of Romulus, Mich., and Philip and Bruce, both of Angola; two daughters, Kendra Laweson of Dearborn Heights, Mich., and Shawn Case of Angola; and three grandchildren.

There will be no services or calling. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Robert Reade

ANGOLA — Robert Paul Reade, 74, of Angola, died Saturday at 10:50 a.m. in his home.

Mr. Reade was a truck driver. He was born June 18, 1924, in Steuben County to the late Clarence and Thelma (Nedele) Reade.

Surviving are a daughter, Janet Mosher, of Hillsdale, Mich.; two sons, Donald Reade of Angola and David Reade of Osseo, Mich.; nine grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren; a brother, Billy Reade of Wolcottville; and a sister, Joyce Easterday of Rome City.

Three brothers preceded him in death.

Graveside services will be conducted Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at Orland's Greenlawn Cemetery, with the Rev. Tim Seevers officiating. Beams Funeral Home in Fremont is in charge of arrangements.

Walter Wittig

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Walter W. Wittig, 80, died early Saturday morning in his Hicksville home.

Mr. Wittig retired from the Casade Depot in New Haven in 1978 after 31 years of service. He also was a farmer his entire life. He graduated from Hicksville High School in the class of 1935. He was a member of the Hicksville First Baptist Church and Hicksville Eagles lodge.

He was born Oct. 17, 1917, in Defiance County, Ohio, to the late Elmer and Cora (Green) Wittig.

He married Jeanette Nelson on Feb. 10, 1943, in Auburn, and she died March 25, 1996.

Surviving him are one daughter, Elaine Johnson of Butler; three granddaughters, Dawn Johnson of Fisher, Renee Lehrian of Marion and Marsha Johnson of Muncie; one brother, Paul of Rialto, Calif.; and one sister, Ethyl Burk of Leipsic, Ohio.

One sister, Neva Votaw, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today after 1 p.m. and Tuesday after 8 a.m. (Indiana times) at Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with Pastor Noah Delagrange officiating. Burial will take place in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Hicksville First Baptist Church or a charity of the donor's choice.

George Blair

HUNTINGTON — George Wilson Blair, 70, died Friday at 6:30 a.m. in his Huntington home.

Mr. Blair was employed by the Huntington County Sheriff's Office as a security officer. He had worked as a teacher's aide for South Whitley Elementary School from February 1992 to 1994, and worked in the office of the Huntington Senior Center. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, and was a member of Huntington American Legion Post 7.

He was born May 15, 1928, in DeKalb County to the late Roscoe Rhonard and Effie Arebell (Madden) Blair.

He married Thelma Waggoner Reust on Sept. 25, 1979, in Roanoke, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, David Blair of Columbia, Mo.; two stepdaughters, Carol Abbott of North Manchester and Marie Harrell of Huntington; three stepsons, John A. Reust and Larry Reust, both of Huntington, and Steve W. Reust of Akron, Ind.; one brother, Jack Blair of New York City; 23 stepgrandchildren and 12 stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services were today at 10 a.m. at Hart Funeral Home, Huntington, with the Rev. Howard Cherry officiating. An entombment and committal service was held today at 1 p.m. at the Auburn Mausoleum, South Center Street.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Huntington Senior Center.

Evening Star, Mon, June 30, 1998 (cont'd)

Josephine Snyder

FREMONT — Josephine A. Snyder, 84, of Ellenton, Fla., died at 5 a.m. Sunday in her home.

A homemaker, Mrs. Snyder was born Nov. 13, 1913, in Fremont to the late Frank and Lettie (Shaffer) Penner.

She is survived by three sons, George W. of Tampa, Fla., Richard of Goshen and Ned of Fremont; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death are her husband, George; a son, John; two grandchildren; three sisters and a brother.

Funeral services will be conducted at a later date. Beams Funeral Home in Fremont is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Ruth E. Lee**, 87, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with calling there 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Judy A. Shoppell**, 40, died Saturday. No calling or services.

LAGRANGE — **Ruth L. Hagerty**, 100, died Saturday. Services at 1 p.m. Thursday in Fruip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Thursday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Richard Allen Brunner**, 34, died in an accident early Sunday morning on I-69. Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Tuesday.

LIGONIER — **Earl Dale Moss**, 85, died Sunday. Graveside services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Salem Cemetery, Wilmot. No calling.

SYRACUSE — **Darlene L. Woitas**, 62, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Frieda Mae Huffman**, 100, died Thursday. Graveside services were today in Columbia City.

The Evening Star, Tues., June 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Josephine Snyder

FREMONT — Josephine A. Snyder, 84, of Ellenton, Fla., died Sunday at 5 a.m. in Florida.

A homemaker, Mrs. Snyder was born Nov. 13, 1913, in Fremont to the late Frank and Lettie (Shaffer) Penner.

She is survived by three sons, George W. of Tampa, Fla., Richard of Goshen, and Ned of Fremont; a daughter, JoAnn Pauwels of Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, George; a son, John; two grandchildren, three sisters and a brother.

Funeral services will be conducted at a later date. Beams Funeral Home in Fremont is in charge of arrangements.

Philip Eberly

WATERLOO — Philip D. "Butch" Eberly, 44, died today at 5:17 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Eberly was a tool maker for Trident Corp. in Hicksville, Ohio, for 10 years. He lived on South Elm Street in Waterloo.

He was born Nov. 28, 1953, in Auburn to Mac and Anna Lee (Wing) Eberly. His mother survives in Waterloo and his father is deceased.

He married Verlinda Fender on May 26, 1995, and she survives.

Also surviving are two brothers, Scott and Kim, both of Waterloo; one sister, Sarah Albright of Hamilton; two nieces, Kara Cahill and Chelsea Keohl; and three great-nephews, Ethan and Seth Clements, and Jaxon Keohl.

A private service will be conducted Friday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, Wed., July 1, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Marie Meyers

ANGOLA — Marie Katherine Meyers, 91, died today at 2:50 a.m. in her Angola home.

Mrs. Meyers was a homemaker, a caretaker and a retired sales clerk for Kaufman's Department Store in Pittsburgh. She was baptized, confirmed and married in her lifelong church, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, ELCA, in Pittsburgh.

She was active in the Trinity's Women's Guild in Pittsburgh, and in the Martha Circle of Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola. She was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Church in Angola.

Mrs. Meyers resided in Angola four years, after moving from Pennsylvania.

She was born Feb. 6, 1907, in Pittsburgh, to the late Charles and Caroline Messer Haas. She married Emil John Meyers, who preceded her in death in September 1984.

Surviving are a son, the Rev. Donald E. (and wife, Carole) Meyers of Angola; four grandchildren, Donald, Scott, Todd and Marla Meyers; and four great-grandchildren, Elizabeth Anne, Audrey, Christopher and Cameron Meyers.

She was preceded in death by 11 brothers and sisters.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday in Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, with the Rev. William Hoerger officiating. Burial will be in Jefferson Memorial Park at Pleasant Hills, Pa.

Memorial donations may be made to Angola Calvary Lutheran Church's stained glass window fund, building fund, hand bell fund or to Turning Point Shelter of Steuben County, Inc.

Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Irma Bradford

AUBURN — Irma I. Bradford, 99, died Tuesday at 8:20 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She retired in 1974 with 52 years of service as manager of the ready-to-wear department at the former Schaab's Department Store in Auburn.

Mrs. Bradford was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn, its Philatea class, and Auburn Business & Professional Woman. She was an associate member of Tri Kappa Sorority, and a 1919 graduate of Cromwell High School.

She was born Oct. 18, 1898, in Cromwell to the late William H. and Mollie F. (Conner) Longenecker.

She married Robert D. Bradford on Oct. 28, 1937, in Auburn and he died in 1974.

Surviving her are two brothers, Walter C. Longenecker of Middlebury and Maurice C. Longenecker of Elkhart; one sister, Katherine Henley of Mesa, Ariz.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Evelyn Bevington, Ethel Davis and Mable McGraw; and two brothers, W. Earl Longenecker and Guy Conner.

Friends may call Friday from 10-11:30 a.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier. The Rev. Karen Koelsch, associate pastor at First United Methodist Church of Auburn, will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or to DeKalb County Hospice.

Lela Parker

HUDSON — Lela M. Parker, 64, of Hudson, died at 9:40 a.m. Tuesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born Aug. 20, 1933, in Ashley to Owen and Alta (Wolfe) Dangler. On March 15, 1952, in Salem Center Presbyterian Church, she married Charles L. "Chuck" Parker. He survives.

Mrs. Parker, a 1951 graduate of Salem Center High School, had lived in Hudson 46 years. She had been employed by Hamilton Products in Hamilton for 15 years. She was a member of the Hudson United Methodist Church, the Think Thin Club and was an honorary member of the Hudson Fire Department Auxiliary.

Surviving with her husband are three daughters, Kathy J. Randol and Loretta S. Erikson, both of LaGrange, and Joyce Stalf of Hudson; her mother-in-law, Alice Kistler of Hudson; 17 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Hudson United Methodist Church, Hudson, with the Rev. Tom Watt and the Rev. Willard Sanders officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, and one hour before services at the church.

Preferred memorials are to the church or the family.

Evening Star, Wed, July 1, 1998 (cont'd)

Thora Grant

WOLCOTTVILLE — Thora W. Grant, 83, of Wolcottville, died at 11:40 p.m. Monday in Vencor Hospital-LaGrange.

She was born in Toledo, Ohio, Nov. 13, 1914, to Pierre and Jennie (Sams) Kiles. On April 9, 1933, in Angola, she married George Grant. He preceded her in death in 1985.

Mrs. Grant was co-owner with her husband of Grant Furniture Store in LaGrange from 1936-1970.

Surviving are a son, William "Bill" Grant of Wolcottville; a sister, Mabel Alleshouse of Angola; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Thelma Shank and Lora Ellen Fair; and a brother, Allison Kiles.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery.

Calling will be Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Smith

GARRETT — Mary L. Smith, 60, died Wednesday at 3:50 p.m. in her home on South Peters Street.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church, Garrett.

She was born May 18, 1938, in Kendallville to Jesse and Lucille (Bowman) Wagner. They survive in Kendallville.

She married Everett R. "Bob" Smith on March 16, 1957, in Kendallville, and he also survives.

Other survivors are one son, Michael L. of Mesa, Ariz.; one daughter, Brenda Marks of Hamilton; one brother, Frank Wagner of Kendallville; one sister, Ruth Thomas of Kendallville; and five grandchildren, Jeff, Jason and Jessica Treesh, and Carrie Marks and Mark Marks Jr.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday at 2:30 p.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. The Rev. Arthur Ferry will officiate.

Friends may call Friday from noon-2 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Edith Alexander

BUTLER — Edith L. Armstrong Alexander, 75, died Tuesday at 10 p.m. in the Laurels of DeKalb nursing home at Butler.

A 30-year area resident, she was a homemaker.

She was born in Mishawaka on Nov. 17, 1922, to Martin and Adah (Riddle) Armstrong, both now deceased.

She is survived by a son, Theodore Alexander of Mishawaka; two brothers, Bud Armstrong of Fort Wayne and Tom Armstrong of Butler; and a sister, Joan Chancellor of Butler.

Private funeral services will be conducted Friday with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery. H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Butler United Methodist Church, the Eastside Foundation, or a charity of the donor's choice.

The following obituary is being reprinted to provide additional information.

Lela Parker

HUDSON — Lela M. Parker, 64, of Hudson, died at 9:40 a.m. Tuesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born Aug. 20, 1933, in Ashley to Owen and Alta (Wolfe) Dangler. On March 15, 1952, in Salem Center Presbyterian Church, she married Charles L. "Chuck" Parker. He survives.

Mrs. Parker, a 1951 graduate of Salem Center High School, had lived in Hudson 46 years. She had been employed by Hamilton Products in Hamilton for 15 years. She was a member of the Hudson United Methodist Church, the Think Thin Club and was an honorary member of the Hudson Fire Department Auxiliary.

Surviving with her husband are three daughters, Kathy J. Randol and Loretta S. Erikson, both of LaGrange, and Joyce Stalf of Hudson; two sons, Michael C. Parker of Hudson, and Robert H. Parker of LaGrange; her mother-in-law, Alice Kistler of Hudson; 17 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Hudson United Methodist Church, Hudson, with the Rev. Tom Watt and the Rev. Willard Sanders officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, and one hour before services at the church.

Preferred memorials are to the church or the family.

Joseph Walter

WOLCOTTVILLE — Joseph Elijah Walter, 69, died Wednesday at 9:40 p.m. in his home on Big Long Lake, Wolcottville.

Mr. Walter retired in 1981 with 20 years of service at International Harvester in Fort Wayne. He was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Army, achieving the rank of corporal. He was a member of the South Milford Church of Christ.

He was born May 26, 1929, in Auburn to the late Wilbur and Jenny (Sherwood) Walter.

He married Audrie Marie Trenary on June 25, 1950, in the Mount Pleasant Church, in rural Butler, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joseph Eugene Walter of Kendallville and Jeremy Emmett Walter of Big Long Lake, Wolcottville; one daughter, Teresa Nadine Walter of Big Long Lake, Wolcottville; three sisters, Billie Jean King of South Carolina, Pat of Fort Wayne, and Sue Ash, also of Fort Wayne; three grandchildren, Sheila Meredith, Angeli Walter and Jennifer Walter; and one great-grandchild, Selena.

One brother, Robert, and one sister, Betty, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Mike Booher of the South Milford Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Evening Star, Thurs. July 2, 1998 (cont'd)

Theodore Bowser

GARRETT — Theodore M. "Ted" Bowser, 80, died Wednesday at 3:12 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Bowser was retired as owner of Holiday Lakes Market and Plant Center for 54 years. He lived in rural Garrett most of his life and was a member of Garrett American Legion Post 178.

He was born May 3, 1918, in Allen County to the late Ivan C. Bowser Sr. and Estella J. (Archer) Bowser.

Surviving him are five sons, Theodore M. Jr. of Butler, James E. of Auburn, Keith A. and Richard M., both of Garrett, and Phillip of Ixmiquilpan Hgo, Mexico; six daughters, Karen K. Maurer, Rose Ann Newman and Judy A. Miller, all of Garrett. Wanda L. Bowser of Auburn, Patricia Bowser of Georgia, and JoAnn Talbert of Tennessee; two brothers, Orlo of Huntertown and Junior D. of South Whitley; 30 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Six brothers and one daughter preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 3-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with Lloyd Mealer of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, officiating. Burial will take place in the Huntertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Kidney Foundation.

Barbara Bressler

FREMONT — Barbara JoAnn Bressler, 65, of Montgomery, Mich., died Tuesday at 11 p.m. at her residence.

Mrs. Bressler was a homemaker.

She was born June 16, 1933, and was preceded in death by her mother, Florence Louks.

On Nov. 24, 1951, she married Merlin "Lefty" Bressler, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Susan Shepperd and Dawn Ethridge, both of Fremont; two sons, Tim (and wife, Judy) Bressler and Jed Bressler, both of Fremont; a sister, Janet Kenyon of Stanton, Mich.; a brother, James (and wife, Sally) Hoover of Fenton, Mich.; and 10 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Michael.

Friends may call from 4-8:30 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday in the funeral home with the Rev. Earl Armstrong officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna.

Memorial donations may be made to the Sturgis, Mich., Hospice and Home Health Care.

Hal May

ANGOLA — Hal E. May, 76, of Angola, died Wednesday at 7 a.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Mr. May lived in Angola for 60 years after moving from Williams County, Ohio. A 1941 Angola High School graduate and a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, he worked as a salesman at Angola Ford. He was a member of Angola American Legion Post 31, a charter member of the Angola Elks Lodge, and a member of the Angola Moose Lodge.

He was born Feb. 4, 1922, in Morenci, Mich., to the late Donald B. and Hazel (McLaughlin) May.

On Dec. 7, 1947, he married Gladys (Grandstaff) May, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Larry May and Garry May, both of Angola; and two grandchildren, Angie and Garry Hal May.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe and the Rev. Donald Rogers officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola. Military graveside services will be conducted by Angola American Legion Post 31.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Cecilia A. Miskowski**, 85, died Tuesday. Services and burial in Duluth, Minn.

CHURUBUSCO — **Benjamin F. McDaniel**, 83, died Wednesday. Private services Friday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco. No calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Allen Austin

CORUNNA — Allen Austin, 62, died Wednesday at 7:53 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Austin retired from Navistar in 1992 with 30 years of service, working in Fort Wayne and Springfield, Ohio.

He was born Dec. 10, 1935, in Pratville, Mich., to the late Wendall and Florence (Agnew) Austin.

He married Evelyn Foster on Dec. 31, 1976, in Fremont, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Debra Maddox and Jodi Martinez, both of Adrian, Mich.; one stepson, Mark Foster of Auburn; four brothers, Frank of Hudson, Mich., Bert of Angola, Lowell of Wauseon, Mich., and Eldon of Brooklyn, Mich.; three sisters, Elizabeth Dow of Inkster, Mich., Sheila Bostwick of South Carolina, and Lida Zielinski of Jerome, Mich.; four grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren.

Friends may call Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Brian Wilcox officiating. A graveside committal service will take place Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Huntington.

Robert LaRowe

GARRETT — Robert W. LaRowe, 75, died Thursday at 2:30 a.m. in his home on South Lee Street.

He worked at Dana Corp. in Auburn and retired after 30 years of service.

He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran and was a member of the Garrett post of the American Legion and the Garrett First Church of Christ.

He was born April 8, 1923, in Auburn to Delbert and Mildred (Scott) LaRowe. His father is deceased and his mother survives in Auburn.

His first wife, Lottie Jean (Ransom) LaRowe, died in 1989.

On March 5, 1990, he married Marma J. "Norma" Speer in Auburn and she survives in Garrett.

He also is survived by a daughter, Jeannine Griffin of Auburn; two stepdaughters, Helen "Bunny" Armstrong of Waterloo and Mary Cochran of Auburn; five brothers, Allen and Paul, both of Auburn, Dean of Harrison, Mich., Ronald of Stuart, Fla., and Billy of Sevierville, Tenn.; two sisters, Charlotte Whittington of Auburn and Evelyn Russell of Mancelonia, Mich.; three grandchildren, five step-grandchildren and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, with the Rev. Earl Armstrong officiating.

Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett, with graveside military services by the Garrett American Legion.

Friends may call at the funeral home Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to DeKalb County Hospice.

Willie Altimus

KENDALLVILLE — Willie T. Altimus, 93, of Kendallville, and formerly of Wolcottville, died Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville.

He was born June 4, 1905, in Noble County to Alanzo and Grace (Wenner) Altimus. In October 1929 in LaGrange, he married Thelma M. (Rhoades) Altimus. She preceded him in death.

Mr. Altimus had lived most of his life in Wolcottville. He had been employed by Litton Industries of Kendallville and Wolcottville Lumber in Wolcottville. He was a member of Wolcottville United Methodist Church, the Lions Club, Meridian Sun Lodge No. 76 F&AM and Sylvan Chapter 250 OES.

Surviving are four sisters, Thelma Brand Sturgis of Sturgis, Mich., Mildred Ross of Dayton, Ohio, Ida May Brand of Angola, and Virginia Smith of Topeka.

Funeral services will be at 5:30 p.m. Sunday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Harold North officiating. Burial will be in the funeral home.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home where Masonic services will be held at 5 p.m.

Preferred memorials are to Wolcottville United Methodist Church.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Mildred E. Addis**, 79, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. today.

KENDALLVILLE — **Edgar E. Hower**, 82, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Willie T. Altimus**, 93, died Thursday. Services at 5:30 p.m. Sunday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

Deaths/Funerals

Guy Ault

AUBURN — Guy F. Ault, 79, died Friday at 11:45 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mr. Ault was a retired farmer and worked at Warner Gear for 23 years. He lived in Auburn 32 years and was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church.

He was born July 5, 1918, in Butler to the late Mencil and Winnie (Smurr) Ault.

He married Deloris Ginder on Aug. 14, 1939, in Kendallville, and she survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are on son, Ronald Ault of Alexandria, Va.; one daughter, Marletta Rowe of Edgerton, Ohio; two brothers, Carl Ault of Sun City, Ariz., and Martin Lewis Ault of Tucson, Ariz.; one sister, Ruby Baughman of Tucson; two grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren and four stegreat-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Ruth Abraham and Mary Ellen Ladd, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Dr. Jack Lewis Purcell officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or to a charity of the donor's choice.

William Stubblefield

LAOTTO — William "Bill" Otis Stubblefield, 77, of LaOtto, died Saturday morning at his residence.

On Feb. 21, 1921, in Lenaru, Ky., he was born to John and Lena (Lutz) Stubblefield. He married Katherine Lucille Ackerman on Oct. 17, 1942, in Albion. She preceded him in death on Dec. 25, 1993.

Mr. Stubblefield had lived in the area since 1940, having moved from Kentucky. He retired from Newnam Foundry on April 10, 1981, after 30 years.

Surviving are two sons, James Stubblefield of Fort Wayne, and Gary Stubblefield of Ridgeville Corners, Ohio; one brother, Lee J. Stubblefield of Nicholasville, Ky.; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; and two half-brothers, Woodrow Lee of Corunna, and Raymond Lee of Nicholasville, Ky.

Calling is from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville, with the Rev. Harold K. Flood of Harkin-Flo Ministries officiating.

Vergil Haskins

ANGOLA — Vergil M. Haskins of Angola, 85, died Saturday in Angola's Carlin Park Healthcare Center.

A bookkeeper for Fort Wayne Transit, Mrs. Haskins was born Oct. 24, 1912, in Alma, Mich., to James and Mary (Howe) Atkinson.

Her husband, Edward Haskins, preceded her in death in 1995.

Surviving are a niece, Irene Gerard of Union City, Mich., and two nephews, Robert Atkinson of Florida and Willis Atkinson of Lansing, Mich.

Four brothers, John, Bill, Emer and Robert, and a sister, Ida Holms, also preceded her in death.

Arrangements are pending at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola.

Helen Raney

BUTLER — Helen I. Raney, 86, died Friday at 3:15 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Raney served as manager of the Butler License Branch from 1961 to 1969. She worked at Armstrong Floral in Butler from 1971 until her retirement in 1982. She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Butler, and the DeKalb County Democrat Women's Club. She was a former vice chairman of the DeKalb County Democratic Central Committee. She was a former member of the Wittenberg Guild.

She was born June 2, 1912, in DeKalb County to the late Perry and Meda (Oberlin) Turner.

She married Martin Raney in 1940 in Auburn, and he died in 1972.

Surviving her are one son, Jerry of Kendallville; four granddaughters, Heather, Minday and Kristie Raney, and Carrie Orr; and five great-grandchildren, Halston, Covington, Peircston and Tarrington Raney, and Xavier Orr.

She was preceded in death by one son, Thomas; and three brothers, Martin, Glenn and Harold.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Butler.

Evening Star, Mon., Aug 6, 1998 (cont'd)

Caroline Rosenberg

FORT WAYNE — Caroline "Carol" Ruth Rosenberg, 76, died Thursday at 9:15 p.m. in her Fort Wayne home.

Mrs. Rosenberg was a homemaker and sales clerk at Stern's Women's Store in Garrett for 24 years, retiring in 1982. She was a member of Achduth Vesholom Temple of Fort Wayne, an honorary member of Alpha Rho chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority, and a volunteer at Community Harvest Food Bank in Fort Wayne. She was a former Garrett resident.

She was born Nov. 15, 1921, in Bucyrus, Ohio, to the late Mose and Anna (Stern) Engelhard.

She married Abner Rosenberg on June 30, 1946, in Fort Wayne and he died Aug. 29, 1989.

Surviving her are one son, Sanford E. "Sandy" Rosenberg of Carmel; one daughter, Susan Bayes of Garrett; two grandchildren, Christi Metzger and Dustin Hoffman, both of Garrett; and three great-grandchildren.

One brother, Alfred Engelhard, preceded her in death.

Services were conducted today at 1:30 p.m. in Lindenwood Cemetery Bohn Chapel. Rabbi Sandford Kopnick of Achduth Vesholom Temple officiated, with burial in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to Community Harvest Food Bank, 999 E. Tillman Road, or Achduth Vesholom Temple, 5200 Old Mill Road.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, was in charge of arrangements.

Donald Imhoff

GARRETT — Donald Dean Imhoff, 73, died Saturday at 6:35 a.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Imhoff retired in 1983 with 40 years of service as an inspector for Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. He lived in Garrett and was a lifetime resident of the area. He was a member of Garrett American Legion Post 178 and a mixed bowling league.

He was born Jan. 2, 1925, in Pleasant Lake to the late Xenophon and Letha (Coney) Imhoff.

He married Edith S. Keller on Jan. 1, 1946, in West Allis, Wis., and she died Nov. 2, 1996.

Surviving him are two sisters, LaVonne D. Gibson of Pleasant Lake and Evelyn M. Knight of Warsaw; two nieces, Glenda Gibson and Gena Gibson, both of Angola; and two nephews, Bruce Gibson of Wake Forest, N.C., and Aaron Shultz of Warsaw.

Friends may call Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. William R. Kaster of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Mac Foor

ANGOLA — Mac F. Foor, 98, of Angola, died Friday at 12:25 a.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Foor owned a partnership in a nursery and landscaping business, Landscaping by Foor, in Fort Meyers, Fla., where he lived for 17 years before moving to Steuben County in 1978. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of Fairview Missionary Church in Angola.

He was born April 13, 1900, in Mercer, Ohio, to John W. and Bessie (McCaig) Foor. He married Nettie M. Gregg on June 26, 1921, and she preceded him in death.

He is survived by a sister, Esther Cromer of Bradenton, Fla., 13 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by two sons, John, on March 31, 1989, and Mac, in July 1987; two daughters, Marilyn Berry, in 1950, and Eileen Foor, on Sept. 10, 1931; and two sisters.

Friends may call today from 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Norman Fuller officiating.

Burial will be in Mercer Cemetery in Mercer, Ohio. Memorial donations may be made to the Women's International Missions of Fairview Missionary Church, Angola, or Cameron Hospice and Homehealth of Angola.

Evening Star, Ftom., July 6, 1998 (cont'd)

Glen Willibey

ANGOLA — Glen Gaylor Willibey, 85, of Angola, died Saturday in his home.

Mr. Willibey was a farmer and also worked as a setup man for Dana Weatherhead, retiring in 1975 after 28 years of service.

He was a member of the Pioneer Club, the Dana Weatherhead Retirees Club and the Angola United Methodist Church. He had spent the last 19 winters in Zephyrhills, Fla.

He was born Jan. 2, 1913, in Otsego Township, Steuben County, to the late Blaine and Blanche (Gates) Willibey.

On Oct. 19, 1934, he married Hazel Cosper, who survives him.

Also surviving are a son, Bill of Houston; two daughters, Jean Lockwood of Dayton, Ohio, and Donna Wyatt of Cincinnati; a brother, Ivan Willibey of Bloomington; a sister, Celeta Wolfe of Adrian, Mich.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Saturday from 3-4 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A memorial service will follow at 4 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. James Butler officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be made to Cameron Hospice.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Norma J. Rumsey**, 57, of Howe, died Sunday. Memorial services at 6 p.m. Thursday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with visitation there from 4-6 p.m. Thursday.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Mattie E. Mast**, 90, of Shipshewana, died at 6:20 p.m. Friday. Funeral services were today at 9:30 a.m. in Topeka.

CHURUBUSCO — **Bette M. Quintero**, 73, died June 29. Memorial services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Covington Memorial Gardens, 8408 Covington Road.

The Evening Star, Tues., July 7, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Glen Willibey

ANGOLA — Glen Gaylor Willibey, 85, of Angola, died Saturday in his home.

Mr. Willibey was a farmer and also worked as a set-up man for Dana Weatherhead, retiring in 1975 after 28 years of service.

He was a member of the Pioneer Club, the Dana Weatherhead Retirees Club and the Angola United Methodist Church. He had spent the last 19 winters in Zephyrhills, Fla.

He was born Jan. 2, 1913, in Otsego Township, Steuben County, to the late Blaine and Blanche (Gates) Willibey. On Oct. 19, 1934, he married Hazel Cosper, who survives him.

Also surviving are a son, Bill of Houston; two daughters, Jean Lockwood of Dayton, Ohio, and Donna Wyatt of Cincinnati; a brother, Ivan Willibey of Bloomington; a sister, Celeta Wolfe of Adrian, Mich.; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Saturday from 3-4 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A memorial service will follow at 4 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. James Butler officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be made to Cameron Hospice.

Genevieve Bradigan

FORT WAYNE — Genevieve L. Bradigan, 72, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

A native of Fort Wayne, she was a homemaker.

Surviving are her companion, Robert Cramer of Decatur; three daughters, Arlene Brockhaus of Modena, Ill., Carolyn Bunn of Wolcottville, and Ronda Barrand of Angola; two sons, Fred Walker of League City, Texas and James Bradigan of Angola; three sisters, Irene Shambaugh of Fort Wayne; Evelyn Lauer of Phoenix, Ariz., and Merphine Lee of Toledo, Ohio; two brothers, Alfred Barrand of Fort Wayne, and Hubert Barrand of Pleasant Lake; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services at 10 a.m. Thursday in D.O. McComb & Son Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Preferred memorials are to Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice.

Charles Deaton

FORT WAYNE — Charles L. Deaton, 60, died Saturday from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Mr. Deaton was born in Whick, Ky. He was retired from International Harvester and was involved with race car driving, Black Beret, local and national archery clubs, and was a fisherman. He was on the board of directors of the Izaak Walton League.

Surviving him are his wife, Suzan, of Fort Wayne; a daughter, Shari Deaton of Huntington; two sisters, Julia Havener of Waterloo and Marilyn Hodgkins of Savannah, Ga.; and his father- and mother-in-law, Herman and Colette Aspacher of Fort Wayne.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with burial in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Evening Star, Tues., July 7, 1998 (cont'd)

Robert Yustus

ANGOLA — Robert Yustus, 26, died Saturday from injuries suffered in an automobile accident near Coldwater, Mich.

Mr. Yustus lived and worked as a welder in Angola for the past six years. He was a 1989 graduate of Tomahawk High School in Wisconsin and was a former Employee of SEMCO Manufacturing in Merrill, Wis.

He was born July 18, 1971, in Cudahy, Wis., to Joseph and Annette Yustus. His mother survives in Irma, Wis.

Also surviving are two brothers, William Swanson of Kewaunee, Wis. and Joseph of Milwaukee; two sisters, Brenda Fuchs and Linnea Christenson, both of Tomahawk; and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. at Krueger & Sons Funeral Home, 101 N. Second St., Tomahawk.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in Grace Lutheran Church, Tomahawk. The Rev. Barbara Jorgenson will officiate, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, Skanawan, Wis.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Barbara L. Weible**, 55, of Bristol, died Sunday. Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

SYRACUSE — **James Allen Pounds**, 65, died Wednesday. Memorial services at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Eagles Lodge, Syracuse. No calling.

The Evening Star, Wed., July 8, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Leo Zimmerman

ANGOLA — Leo B. Zimmerman, 78, of Angola, died Tuesday at 12:01 a.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Zimmerman worked as a mechanic for L.G. Maxton Sales and Goodwin's 66 Service, Angola. He also was employed by the Indiana Highway Department at Angola.

He was born Oct. 24, 1919, in Steuben County to the late Glen and Muriel (Watkins) Zimmerman.

On Nov. 29, 1957, he married Betty Zimmerman, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Jeff Zimmerman of Fremont; three stepdaughters, Carol Harvey of Indianapolis, Barbara Tatman of Whiteland and Cyndy Butz of Angola; a grandchild, eight stepgrandchildren and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Margretta Cosper, in 1946.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. James Butler officiating. Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Angola. There will be no calling.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola United Methodist Church or a charity of the donor's choice.

John Taulbee

HUNTERTOWN — John E. Taulbee, 40, of Huntertown, died in an auto-train accident at 8:33 p.m. Tuesday, west of Avilla.

He was born in Kendallville, April 28, 1958, to Codell and Bessie (Pearson) Taulbee Sr. His father survives in Kendallville.

Mr. Taulbee had been working for Reclaimers.

Surviving with his father are a daughter, Amy Taulbee of Kendallville; a son, Jeremy Taulbee of Kendallville; and two brothers, Darrel Taulbee of Auburn and Codell Taulbee Jr. of Huntertown.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Anna Louise Childs**, 79, died Monday in Fairmount. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Armes-Hunt Funeral Home in Fairmount, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Thurs., July 9, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Clyttie Miller

AUBURN — Clyttie N. "Kit" Miller, 93, died Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, where she had resided for two years.

Mrs. Miller had lived in Auburn since 1981, moving from Ligonier. She retired in 1949 with 15 years of service as an inspector for Essex Wire. She was a homemaker and a member of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, Waterloo.

She was born Sept. 13, 1904, in Merriam, Noble County, to the late David and Nellie (Priest) Madden.

Her first husband, Leon C. Walter, died in 1946. She married David C. Miller on March 8, 1952, in Angola and he also preceded her in death.

Surviving her are one daughter, Donna J. Bailey of Auburn; one sister, Goldie McKeeman of Fort Wayne; six grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Marion; one grandson, four brothers and four sisters.

Friends may call Friday from 3-5 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Friday at 5 p.m. in the funeral home, with Brian Wilcox officiating.

A graveside service will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. in Sparta Cemetery, Kimmell.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Cedar Lake Church of Christ.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Kathleen Wolfe**, 84, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

LAOTTO — **Peggy Lou Porter**, 66, died Tuesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., July 10, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Gail Lee

PLEASANT LAKE — Gail Lee, 84, of Pleasant Lake, died Thursday at 1:25 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Lee was a homemaker.

She was born July 21, 1913, in Carnersville to the late Joe and Etta (Holmes) Blakley.

Surviving are a daughter, Carol Griffin of Hudson; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert E. Lee, on Dec. 9, 1995.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola..

Services begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home with the Rev. Robert Staup officiating. Burial will be at Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Richard Jensen

WOLCOTTVILLE — Richard A. Jensen, 59, of Wolcottville, died Wednesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

A native of Colorado, he was a self-employed silversmith and lapidiarist. Mr. Jensen was the recipient of numerous awards for jewelry and lapidary works. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Surviving are his wife, Christine; a daughter, Erica Jensen of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a stepson, Ken Boush of Phoenix, Ariz.; two stepdaughters, Diedra Duffy of Wolcottville, and Staci Eastwood of Carson City, Nev.; a sister, Shirley Hilliard of Lincoln, Neb.; and three grandchildren.

There will be no services or visitation.

D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Fred Geiger

KENDALLVILLE — Fred L. Geiger, 80, of Kendallville, died at 11:55 p.m. Thursday in Kendallville Manor HealthCare Center.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

The Evening Star, Sat., July 11, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Cy Kearney

ANGOLA — Cy "Elliott" Kearney, 73, of Angola, died Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Kearney was a heavy equipment operator for Hernly Construction Co. in Muncie and retired in 1981.

He was born May 18, 1925, in Windsor to the late Walter and Valeria (Cross) Kearney.

On Jan. 17, 1948, he married Audrey (Smith) Kearney, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Gary of Angola and Jay of Farmland; two brothers, Walter "Bud" Kearney and Zach Rozelle, both of Muncie; two sisters, Marilyn Oiler of Fort Myers, Fla., and Linnie Cox of Parker; and two grandchildren, Hollie and Audra Kearney of Angola.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-6 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home with the Rev. Don Rashley officiating. Cremation will be at the Northern Indiana Crematory, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Ida Teeters

ANGOLA — Ida Iona Teeters, 83, of Angola, died Friday at 2:15 a.m. at Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Miss Teeters, a lifelong Angola resident, was a homemaker.

She was born Dec. 4, 1914, in Clear Lake Township, Steuben County, to the late Harry and Forest Bee (McKim) Teeters.

She is survived by a sister, Dorothy McCrea of Orland, and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Teeters Cemetery, Clear Lake Township, Steuben County.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Fred L. Geiger**, 90, of Kendallville, died Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Monday at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville. Calling is from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Karl Mavis

AUBURN — Karl Eugene "Gene" Mavis, 65, died Sunday at 1:37 a.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He owned and operated Mavis Mobile Radio Sales and Service in Auburn for 39 years, retiring in 1995. He was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Mavis

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, and a 42-year member of Auburn American Legion Post 97. He was a member and past president of the Auburn Rotary Club, where he received a Paul Harris Fellowship. He was also a member of the Indiana Electronic Service Association and the Electronic Technicians Association International, the Satellite Dealers Association, Who's Who Association of America, and the National Federation of Independent Businesses Association.

He was an amateur radio operator with a call sign of M9MYJ.

Mr. Mavis was born Aug. 15, 1932, in Garrett to to Karl Houston and Emily Louella Victoria (Yingling) Mavis. His mother survives in Auburn and his father died in 1976.

He married Barbara Leeth in 1952 and she died in 1967. He married Lorna Miser Shuman in 1980, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Karl E. II and Darline Mavis of St. Joe; one daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Denny Gilbert of Kendallville; one stepson and his wife, Tim and Lori Shuman of Waterloo; two stepdaughters and their husbands, Ellen and Gene Snyder of Auburn, and Suzanne and Norman Rister of Antwerp, Ohio; 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Karen Koelsch officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Rotary Scholarship fund or First United Methodist Church garage fund.

Polly Davis

AUBURN — Polly Davis, 76, died Saturday at 7 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She was a homemaker and lived on County Road 48, Auburn.

Mrs. Davis was born Aug. 15, 1921, in Breathitt County, Ky., to the late Harlan V. and Louran (Fugate) Miller.

She married Lee Davis on Oct. 3, 1940, in Kentucky and he died Sept. 13, 1983.

Surviving her are one son, Frank of Pleasant Lake; two daughters, Wanda Davis of Garrett and Patricia Guerin of Auburn; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Lee Combs officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery, Woodruff.

Memorial contributions may be given to Riley's Hospital for Children, or the charity of the donor's choice.

LaVornia Julian

MUSKEGON, Mich. — LaVornia Julian, 92, died Thursday at 2 p.m. in McCauley Place, Muskegon, Mich.

Mrs. Julian was born Dec. 16, 1905, in Auburn to the late Phil and Mildred (Ferguson) Squires. Her husband, Harry Julian, preceded her in death on Feb. 15, 1979.

Surviving her is one sister, Ruth Draime of Willard, Ohio.

Two brothers, Roy Squires and Everett Penland, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

A graveside service will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. The Rev. Harvey L. Huntley will officiate.

Edwin Selman

ANGOLA — Edwin W. "Ed" Selman, 93, died Saturday at Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Mr. Selman was a chemical engineer who graduated from Iowa State University. He started Selman Heating and Plumbing Co. in 1945 and retired in 1978. He was a past president and a member of the Angola Rotary and a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Angola. After retirement, he lived in Florida for 20 years before moving back to Angola in January.

He was born Feb. 28, 1905, in Davenport, Iowa, to the late Hugh and Ellen Murphy Selman.

On Dec. 27, 1930, he married Francis R. Rea, who preceded him in death in 1980.

Surviving are a son, Edwin "Bill" Selman of Angola; a daughter, Mary Elizabeth Ward of Irvine, Calif.; a sister, Margaret Bossert of Long Boat Key, Fla.; five grandchildren, Tom, Bill and Susan Selman and David and Michael Ward; and five great-grandchildren.

Also preceding him in death was a daughter, Barbara E. Selman.

There was no calling. A funeral mass was held this afternoon at St. Anthony Catholic Church, with Father Fred Pasche officiating.

Burial was in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Angola Parks Department or to the Angola Rotary Scholarship Fund.

Arrangements were made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Evening Star, Mon, July 13, 1998 (cont'd)

Orla Gerhart

AUBURN — Orla W. Gerhart, 80, of Auburn, died Sunday at 3:33 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Gerhart was employed by the Miami County Farm Bureau Co-Op between 1951 and 1966, and was a civil engineer at Grissom Air Force Base from 1966 until retiring in 1981. He was a member of the Erie United Methodist Church, Peru.

He was 1936 graduate of Clay Township High School, Miami County. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran, and a member of the Peru American Legion Glen Owens Post 14 and the Peru Moose Lodge.

Mr. Gerhart was born Feb. 6, 1918, in Miami County to Orla and Clara (Foust) Gerhart.

He married Ann Niklus of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1945 and they had three children. On July 1, 1972, he married Betty Lanter in Peru. She preceded him in death Dec. 5, 1994.

Surviving are two sons, Larry Gerhart of Auburn and John Gerhart of Amboy; a daughter, Bonnie Nuccio of Schaumburg, Ill.; six grandchildren, Steven Nuccio, Christina Nuccio, Angela Gerhart, Heather Gerhart, Michael Gerhart, and Michelle Gerhart; and three great-grandchildren, Allison, Abigail and Jonathon Gerhart.

Friends may call after 10 a.m. Tuesday at Laird Funeral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy, IN.

Memorial services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Irvin Behm officiating. Burial will be in Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy.

Mark Larkin

KENDALLVILLE — Mark L. Larkin, 94, of Kendallville, died at 11:34 p.m. Saturday in Kendallville Manor HealthCare Center. He had been ill since May.

He was born in Garrett on Oct. 23, 1903, to John and Abigail (Keck) Larkin. He married Florence Bell Reade on Oct. 23, 1923, and she preceded him in death Jan. 15, 1962. On Sept. 30, 1972, in Kendallville, he married Leah Smith Kent, who survives.

Mr. Larkin, formerly of South Milford, moved to Kendallville in 1986. He was a retired farmer and he, along with three others, helped launch Newnam Foundry in Kendallville. He was a member of South Milford United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Paul (Cleota) Taylor of Angola, and Linda Getz of Summerville, N.C.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Dale (Marie) Dolby of Fort Wayne; a stepson and stepdaughter-in-law, Duane and Gloria Kent of Fort Wayne; six grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; nine stepgreat-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Wyveta Bloom; two brothers, four sisters, a grandson and a great-grandson.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Richard Lyth officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to South Milford United Methodist Church.

William Menzel

KENDALLVILLE — William F. "Bill" Menzel, 91, of Paulding, Ohio, died at 10:42 a.m. Saturday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been ill since March 1997.

He was born in Kendallville March 28, 1907, to Emil and Pauline (Lempke) Menzel. On Nov. 23, 1929, in Kendallville, he married Lucille Smith, who survives in Paulding, Ohio.

Mr. Menzel retired in 1972 as a foreman for Flint & Walling Manufacturing after 42 years. He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Kendallville and had recently been attending St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Lowell (Margaret) Tope of Paulding, and Mrs. Max (Donnabelle) Gaff of Butler; a son, William J. Menzel of Walled Lake, Mich.; eight grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Paul Griebel and the Rev. Dan Proctor officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery, Corunna.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to St. John Lutheran Church or St. John Lutheran School.

Evening Star, Thur., July 13, 1998 (cont'd)

Talitha Gurtner

FREMONT — Talitha "Grandma" Gurtner, 86, of Fremont, died at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Gurtner, who worked as a cook, was born Feb. 11, 1912, in LaGrange County to the late Ernest and Pearl (Sheilds) Martin.

Surviving are a daughter-in-law, Sally Gurtner of Fremont; five grandchildren, David Gurtner of Las Vegas, Eldonna Wagonrod of Ohio City, Ohio, Jolenna Dailey of Edon, Ohio, Earl Gurtner of Coldwater, Mich., and Lyn Gurtner of Salina, Kan.; 14 great-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren; and four step-great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, in 1989, and her only son, Eldon, in 1983.

Friends may call today from 4-8:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Services are 11 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home with the Rev. Eric Dailey officiating. Burial will be at Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Mildred Turner

AUBURN — Mildred R. Turner, 74, died Friday at 7:07 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

Mrs. Turner, co-pastor at the Church of the Cornerstone in Auburn, was born in Los Angeles on May 29, 1924, to George A. Roney and Anna E. (Anderson) Roney. She married Jesse H. Turner in Las Vegas on June 4, 1942. He survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Marilyn A. Butler, of Auburn; two sons, Paul J. Turner of Baton Rouge, La., and William A. Turner of Brooksville, Ohio; one sister, Helen Sheffield, Hemet, Calif.; and six grandchildren. Her parents and a daughter, Sharon Bacon, preceded her in death.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. in McComb Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be at the funeral home Wednesday at 1 p.m., with the Rev. Dean Woolard officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Church of the Cornerstone School.

Paulette Sumner

BUTLER — Paulette Sumner, 49, of Butler, died Sunday at 5:30 a.m. in St. Joe Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Sumner, a homemaker, was born May 15, 1949, in Pikersville, Ky. to Pauley and Rosie (Combs) Belcher. Both preceded her in death.

She was married on May 15, 1993 in Hersher, Ill., to Victor Sumner, and he survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Melissa Rothgeb and Winnifer James, both of Churubusco, and Bobbi James, of Butler; one son, Bruce James Jr., of Hicksville, Ohio; two sisters, Brenda Belcher, of Garrett, and Betty Heckley, of Fremont; and five grandchildren. One brother, Jimmy, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Sedan Cemetery in Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **William Menzel**, 91, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

James Cusick

AUBURN — James J. Cusick, 64, died Monday at 5:40 p.m. in Veterans Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient for two years.

He was a heavy equipment operator for several area construction companies. He lived in Auburn for 33 years. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1953 to 1957, and in the U.S. Army from 1961 to 1963.

Mr. Cusick was born April 1, 1934, in Lisbon, Ohio, to the late Oswell Hasting and Elda May (Malone) Cusick.

He married Anita Morcy on May 22, 1954, in East Palestine, Ohio, and she survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are a son, Gary B. of Garrett, and a son and daughter-in-law, James A. and Lori Cusick of Auburn; two daughters, Brenda Bowers of Waterloo and Cheryl Craig of Auburn; five brothers, Bill and Wayne, both of Pennsylvania, Lee of Arizona, Allen of Fort Wayne, and Glen of Lisbon, Ohio; six sisters, Mary of Rogers, Ohio; Ellen of Virginia; Helen of California, Jane of Fort Wayne, and Marilyn and Shirley, both of Lisbon, Ohio; 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Timothy; two brothers, Carl and Earl; and two sisters, Lois and Florence.

A private memorial will be held at a later date in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. There is no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Auburn American Legion Building Fund.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Richard Easley

SYRACUSE — Richard Erwin Easley, 82, died Monday at home.

He was born in Fort Wayne and was a railroad engineer for Conrail before his retirement in 1976.

Surviving are his second wife, Barbara; two daughters, Judith Archer of Syracuse and Janice Todd of Cromwell; a son, Ronald Easley of Gardnerville, Nev.; two stepdaughters, Cathy Adkins and Beth Ann Brubaker, both of Syracuse; a stepson, Joe Todd Jr. of Syracuse; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; a stepgreat-grandchild; a sister, Betty Leamon of Fort Wayne; a stepsister, Ruth Hyndman of Fort Wayne; and two half-brothers, Charles Easley of Cincinnati and Paul Easley of Auburn.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Maxine, in 1992.

There will be no services or calling.

Preferred memorials are to Shriner's Hospital For Children.

Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, is in charge of arrangements.

David Charlesworth

LIVONIA, Mich. — David P. Charlesworth, 31, of Livonia, Mich., was killed in an accident Saturday.

Mr. Charlesworth graduated from DeKalb High School in 1985 and from Indiana University in 1989. He completed his master's in business administration at Eastern Michigan University, and was employed with the Ford Motor Co. of Detroit.

He is survived by his father, Robert Charlesworth of Ohio; his mother, Linda Charlesworth of Lafayette; and two sisters, Heather Charlesworth of California and Lisa (Mrs. Kirk) Sells of Lafayette.

Friends may call from 4-9 p.m. Wednesday at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia, Mich.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to the David P. Charlesworth Memorial Scholarship Fund, in care of the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Road, Livonia, Mich. 48152.

Marilyn Schieber

HAMILTON — Marilyn J. Schieber, 71, of Hamilton, died Monday morning at The Laurels of DeKalb in Butler.

She worked as a secretary for several employers, including Indiana Bank in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Schieber was born March 26, 1927, in Fort Wayne to the late Edna Ernastine (Mourey) and the late Walter Cloyce Snyder.

She was married for 50 years to Charles "Chic" Schieber. He survives.

Also surviving are a son, Stan C. Schieber of Concord, N.C.; two grandsons, Jason and Chad; one brother, William Snyder of Englewood, Fla.; and two sisters, Mrs. Dale (Donna) Windmiller of Fort Wayne and Joan Finkhousen of Van Wert, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial mass will be held Wednesday at 9 a.m. at St. Michael the Arch Angel Catholic Church, 1098 County Road 39 in Waterloo, with the Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Van Wert, Ohio, at a later date.

Preferred memorials are to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, St. Michael Catholic Church in Waterloo or the DeKalb County Home Health Care.

Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home in Hamilton, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Elza McCoy**, 85, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Blue River Church of the Brethren. Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco.

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Charleswood

WATERLOO — Robert B. Charleswood, 78, died Tuesday at 10:15 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He retired from Warner Gear in Auburn in 1975 with 37 1/2 years of service. He was a lifelong farmer, and farmed in Smithfield Township for 48 years. He lived on County Road 35, Waterloo. He served in the Army Infantry, 32nd Division, in World War II.

He was a member of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, Waterloo VFW, and DeKalb County Horsemen's Association. He was a former member of the Noble County Horsemen's Association.

Mr. Charleswood was born June 23, 1920, in Altona to the late Burdett and Faye (Smurr) Charleswood.

He married Lois Creager on April 14, 1948, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Roy and Roberta Charleswood of Butler, and Coy and Darlyn Charleswood of Waterloo; two daughters and sons-in-law, Karen and Roy Buskirk of Fort Wayne, and Ann and Jim Lane of Highland Village, Texas; one sister, Roberta Boren of Auburn; seven grandchildren, Shawn and Shannon Teegardin, Brooke, Amanda, Brad and Allison Charleswood, and Jared Lane; seven stepgrandchildren, Sean, Stacy and Erin Gowthrop, Lecia Brow, Jeff Lane and Matthew and Michelle Buskirk; and two stepgreat-grandchildren, Austen and Landon Brow; and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Stevan Haiflich of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or Gideons International Society.

Leah Lasho

KENDALLVILLE — Leah M. Lasho, 84, of Kendallville, died at 1:48 a.m. today in McCray Memorial Hospital.

She was born in Helmer on Aug. 5, 1913, to Charles and Vesta (Sparrow) Shaffer. She first married Earl R. Reade, who preceded her in death in 1947. Her second husband, Clarence Lasho, preceded her in death in 1979.

Mrs. Lasho was a homemaker and retired from No-Sag.

Surviving are a daughter, Charlotte Truelove of Kendallville; a son, Richard Reade of Budd Lake, N.J.; a stepson, Clarence Lasho Jr. of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; a brother, Robert Shaffer of Helmer; six grandchildren, Jeff Felts of Garrett, Sharon Effinger and Susan Kostielney, both of Kendallville, Sandra Truelove of Glendale, Ariz., and Robbie Reade and Richie Reade, both of Budd Lake; and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by two sons, Charles L. Reade and Kenneth L. Reade; and a daughter, LaNora Liberato.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial will be in Wright Cemetery near Helmer.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

James Cusick

AUBURN — A name was incorrect in James Cusick's obituary in Tuesday's edition due to a typographical error.

He married Anita Morey, not Morcy, as was printed.

Ruth Marty

KENDALLVILLE — Ruth J. Marty, 67, of Kendallville, died at 1:25 p.m. Tuesday in Harborside Health Center in New Haven.

She was born March 10, 1931, in Garrett to Harry and Anna C. (Daugherty) Gilbert. She married Eugene Marty, who survives in Harborside.

Mrs. Marty, a homemaker, had lived in Kendallville since 1950.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Cecilia Smith of Leo, and Maria Scott of Albion; eight sons, Lawrence, Warren, Phil, Steve, Raymond, Michael, David and Joseph Marty, all of Kendallville; three sisters, Gloria Gilbert and Beatrice Elliott, both of Fort Wayne, and Deloris Combs of Herbon, Ky.; a brother, Harry Gilbert of Garrett; three grandchildren; and one stepgrandchild.

Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Thursday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial will be in Daugherty Cemetery in Jay County at a later date.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to St. Vincent Catholic Church in Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Dortha Leitch Rinehart**, 92, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Trinity United Methodist Church in Albion. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Thursday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion.

The Evening Star, Thurs., July 16, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Darwin Cobb Sr.

SPENCERVILLE — Darwin E. Cobb Sr., 85, died this morning at Auburn Healthcare.

He was a janitor at Rieke Corp. and a farmer. He owned and operated God's Farm in Spencerville.

Mr. Cobb was born Nov. 14, 1912, in Homer, Mich., to the late Glen and Pearl (Ellis) Cobb.

He married Eva Brackney on Aug. 1, 1940, in Bryan, Ohio, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Barbara Goldsmith of Butler, Josephine Dicke of Auburn, and Dorothy Wolfe of Fort Wayne; one son, Darwin Cobb Jr. of Auburn; two brothers, Denzel of Fort Wayne and Harley of California; two sisters, Olga Wagner and Garda Manilow, both of Fort Wayne; 21 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Coburn Corners Church of Christ. Todd Steere will officiate. There is no visitation.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Clara M. Schenher**, 91, died at 4 p.m. Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Kendallville. Visitation is from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla.

SYRACUSE — **Jean D. Gotshall**, 82, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, with calling there two hours before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Annabelle W. Hyndman**, 81, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Betty Myers

KENDALLVILLE — Betty J. Myers, 74, of Kendallville, died at 3:35 p.m. Wednesday at Millers Merry Manor, Fort Wayne.

A graduate of Pleasant Lake High School, Mrs. Myers resided in Kendallville for 14 years. She was a secretary at Farm Credit Services in Angola, retiring in 1985.

She was born Nov. 8, 1923, in Pleasant Lake to Claude E. and Olive (Anstett) Thrush. She was married Dec. 24, 1964, to Budd J. Myers, who preceded her in death Oct. 24, 1994.

Surviving are a sister, Laura Robinson of Fort Wayne.

One brother preceded Mrs. Myers in death.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Services are 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Gene Sherrill officiating.

Burial will be at Pleasant Lake Cemetery. Memorials gifts may be given to the donor's choice.

Paul Swonger

GARRETT — Paul E. Swonger, 75, died Thursday at 5:30 a.m. in his Garrett home.

He was a machinist at General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne for 42 years, retiring in 1985. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles Lodge.

Mr. Swonger was born Oct. 30, 1922, in Pratt, Kan., to the late Floyd and Helen (Campbell) Swonger.

He married Kathryn Randol on March 6, 1944, and she died March 9, 1998.

Surviving him are a daughter, Diana Custer of Garrett; two sons, Dale and David, both of Garrett; eight grandchildren and four grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur G. Fery Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church, Garrett, officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Wee Haven Workshop, Garrett.

Ted Bloemker

FORT WAYNE — Ted Norman Bloemker, 57, of Fort Wayne, died Thursday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Fort Wayne and for 28 years he was manager of Hall's Restaurants, retiring in 1991. He was formerly a butcher for Scott's Food Stores for two years.

Surviving are two daughters, Debra Bloemker of Fort Wayne, and Vicki Allison of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; a son, Mark Bloemker of Albion; a sister, Barbara Ann Buell of Fort Wayne; a brother, Max Bloemker of Fort Wayne; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Rex.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Henry Graber

SHIPSHEWANA — Henry F. Graber, 83, died in his residence Thursday.

He was born Dec. 21, 1914, in Mylo, N.D., to Albert J. and Fannie (Miller) Graber. On Nov. 18, 1937, in Shipshewana, he married Emma Miller. She survives.

Mr. Graber, a retired farmer, had lived most of his life in the Shipshewana area. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving with his wife are five daughters, Mrs. Abe (Anna) Bontrager of Dalton, Wis., Mrs. Fred (Elsie) Yoder of LaGrange, Mrs. Freeman (Edna) Bontrager of Hillsboro, Wis., and Mrs. Elva (Ruby) Yoder and Mrs. Jake (Fannie) Eash, both of Topeka, five sons, Elmer Graber of Bloomfield, Iowa, Ernest Graber of Hillsboro, Wis., Orva Graber of Shipshewana, and Amos Graber and Harley Graber, both of Sedro Woolley, Wash.; two sisters, Edna Bontrager of Nappanee, and Anna Miller of Goshen; four brothers, Elmer Graber of Seymour, Simon Graber of Middlebury, Ora Graber of Bronson, Mich., and Fernandis Graber of LaGrange; 75 grandchildren; and 102 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 9:30 a.m. Monday in the family residence, 0330S Ind. 5, Shipshewana, with Amish Bishop Monroe Yoder, the Rev. Ervin Bontrager and the Rev. Marvin Bontrager officiating. Burial will be in Yoder Cemetery near Shipshewana.

Visitation is after noon on Saturday and all day Sunday in the family home.

Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Wilbur C. "Bill" Waterson**, 71, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in First Presbyterian Church, Columbia City. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Smith & Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City.

The Evening Star, Sat., July 18, 1998

Deaths

Joshua Long

GARRETT — Joshua C. "Josh" Long, 16, died Tuesday at 5:07 a.m. at Gaston Memorial Hospital in Gastonia, N.C. He was a victim of a homicide that occurred at 4:30 a.m. in Gastonia.

He was a student at Garrett High School and would have been a sophomore this fall. He lived on County Road 32, Auburn.

Mr. Long was born July 3, 1982, in Mesa, Ariz.

Surviving him are his mother, Geraldine (Hammond) Long of Auburn and her companion, Jim Graham of Auburn; his father, Randy Long of Jonesboro, Ark.; and his grandparents, Robert and Jennie Hammond of Sun City, Ariz., and Ruth Turnipseed of Jonesboro.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will be held Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with Lloyd Mealer, pastor of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

David Deuter

ANGOLA — David Anthony "Dave" Deuter, 49, of Angola, a Master Indiana State Trooper, died at 5 p.m. Thursday as the result of an accident along the Indiana Toll Road.

He was born Nov. 25, 1948 in Huntington County to Richard and Rosemary (Brummett) Deuter. On Nov. 28, 1987 he married Debbie Murphy, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Jacqueline M. Deuter and Madeline M. Deuter, both at home, Valerie K. Cronin of Bloomington and Laura M. (Mrs. Jeffrey) Spangle of Fremont; one granddaughter, Morgan Deckard of Fremont; one brother, Leigh Deuter of the U.S. Navy; a mother- and father-in-law, Georgia and Gil Hanson of Angola; three brothers-in-law, Eric and Bobby Hanson of Angola and Mark Murphy of Lindenhurst, Ill.; and two sisters-in-law, Linnea Hunter of Howe and Kristin Hanson of Lindenhurst, Ill.

Mr. Deuter was preceded in death by his parents.

The funeral service will be 10 a.m. Monday at the Fremont High School Gymnasium, with the Rev. Mark Emelander officiating.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Sunday at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont, with burial in Greenlawn Cemetery of Orland. A memorial service will be conducted by the Indiana State Police at the cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to Lakewood Park Christian School in Auburn.

Area Deaths

LAOTTO — **Kellie G. Roesener**, 4 days old, died Friday at 1:39 a.m. in Parkview Hospital of Fort Wayne. Private family services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, with the Revs. Daniel Durkin and Tom Eggold officiating, and there will be no visitation. Brazzell Funeral Home in Avilla is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Mon., July 20, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Howard Derrow

AUBURN — Howard F. Derrow, 84, of Auburn died Friday at 11 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Derrow was a life-long resident of DeKalb County. He was a former employee of Auburn Rubber Co., and retired from Cooper Tire in Auburn in 1982.

He was born Jan. 17, 1914, to Charles and Cora (Bassett) Derrow.

In 1942, he married Pearl Mercer in DeKalb County. She preceded him in death in 1975.

Mr. Derrow is survived by two daughters, Arlene (Mrs. James) Cunningham of Auburn and Gloria Derrow of Lubick, Texas; three brothers, Chester of Albion, Robert of Fort Wayne and Charles of Corunna; three sisters, Marie Pruess of Burt, Mich., Gladys Whittig of Auburn and Helen Sanders of Angola; three granddaughters, Brenda Campbell, and Suzanne and Rachel Cunningham; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife; a son, Richard; and six brothers, Earl, Willdie, Arthur, Guy, Glen and Walter.

Services were held 3 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Rick Garmon officiating. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Bible Society of The Helping Hand Fund through the Auburn Nazarene Church.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements.

Stephanie Boon

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Stephanie L. "Stevie" Boon, 55, of Hicksville, died at 11 p.m. Thursday in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she has been a patient since last Monday. She was a cancer survivor for the past 2 1/2 years.

She was born Aug. 26, 1942, in Hicksville, to Waldo L. "Bud" and Vivian (McKinley) Cromwell.

She graduated from Hicksville High School with the class of 1960 and graduated from Parkview Hospital School of Nursing with the class if 1963.

She worked as a director of nursing in Hicksville and retired in 1996 after 31 years of service.

She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville, the Rosary and Altar Society, Community Memorial Hospital Foundation Board, Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, North West Ohio District of the Ohio Organization of Nurses Executives, Hicksville Historical Society and a board member of the Defiance County American Red Cross.

She also was a member of the Hicksville Ladies Golf League, Hicksville Eagles Auxiliary and was the honorary chairman of Relay for Life.

On March 9, 1963, she married Robert Boon, who survives. Also surviving are one son, Bobby Boon of Somerset, Ky.; one daughter, Teresa Boon of Columbus, Ohio; two grandchildren; one sister, Mary Jane Kreakie of Hicksville; and one brother, Scott L. Cromwell of Hicksville.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

A funeral mass took place today at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville. Burial was in the Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael's Catholic Church, Community Memorial Hospital or Hospice — The Caring Way, Defiance County.

Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, was in charge of arrangements.

Rolland Montgomery

ASHLEY — Rolland H. Montgomery, 88, of Ashley, died at 1 a.m. Saturday in his home.

He was born in Logansport Jan. 22, 1910, to Horace and Myrtle (Shatto) Montgomery. On Aug. 17, 1940, in Angola, he married Helen Kelley, who survives.

Mr. Montgomery, a 1927 graduate of Ashley High School, had lived in the Ashley area most of his life. He retired in 1972 from Warner-Gear in Auburn after 33 years. He was a 50-year member of Ashley Masonic Lodge No. 614.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. James (Bonnie) Becker of Kendallville; a sister, Lois Parker of South Bend; and two grandchildren, Tammy Becker of Kendallville and Timothy Becker of Hudson.

There will be no funeral services or visitation. Burial will be at a later date in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Preferred memorials are to Cameron Hospice in Angola. Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, is in charge of arrangements, where envelopes for memorial gifts are available.

Evening Star, Mon, July 20, 1998 (cont'd)

John Caruso

FORT WAYNE — John F. Caruso, 85, died Friday in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was a ladle operator at Joslyn Steel for 41 years and retired in 1973. He was a life-long member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and a member of Holy Name Society.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; three daughters, Joanne Krudop, Kathy Parnin and Marianne Connett, all of Fort Wayne; a son, Joseph Caruso of Angola; a sister, Mary Caruso of Fort Wayne; 13 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial took place today at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1910 Hale Ave., Fort Wayne. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to masses, St. Joseph School, or Woodview Health Care.

Mungovan & Sons Memorial Chapel, Fort Wayne, was in charge of arrangements.

Brillian Patrick

EDGERTON, Ohio — Brillian Patrick, 39, died Sunday at 4:03 p.m. in Bryan, Ohio.

He was a tool maker for Bryan die Cast Products of Bryan. He lived in Edgerton, Ohio.

Mr. Patrick was born Aug. 27, 1958, in Ary, Ky. His mother, Ivory (Beverly) Gault survives in Ashley and his stepfather, Marion Gault, survives in Williams Center, Ohio. His father, C.P. Patrick, is deceased.

He married Judith Jackson on Oct. 25, 1980, in Calvary Chapel of Bryan, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Breain Renea Patrick of Edgerton; three brothers, Gillford of Waterloo, George of Butler, and Denver of Kentucky; three sisters, Linda Wasson of Edgerton, Louella Smith of Ashley, and Lillie Hoffman of Waterloo; several nieces and nephews, and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Area Deaths

EDGERTON, Ohio — **Brillian Patrick**, 39, died Sunday at 4:03 p.m. Calling Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home.

CHURUBUSCO — **M. Fay Caupp**, 58, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-8 p.m. today and one hour before services on Tuesday.

LAOTTO — **Kellie G. Roesener**, 4 days old, died Friday. Private family services were held Sunday in Avilla.

The Evening Star, Tues., July 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Heather Bass

EDGERTON, Ohio — Heather R. Bass, 25, died Sunday at 8:49 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, after an extended illness.

She was a 1992 graduate of Edgerton High School and attended Edgerton United Methodist Church. She lived in Edgerton.

Ms. Bass was born June 11, 1973, in Hicksville, Ohio, to Michael E. and Susan J. (Faber) Bass. Her mother survives in Edgerton and her father preceded her in death in 1992.

Also surviving her are two brothers, Dustin and Gregory Bass, both of Edgerton; her maternal grandparents, Harley and Mary Jane Faber of Edgerton; her paternal grandmother, Doris Bass of Elkhart; one niece, Brittney Bass; and her fiancé, Joseph Yarger of Edgerton.

Her paternal grandfather, Estel Bass, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. (Indiana time) in Edgerton United Methodist Church, with Pastor Steven Semple officiating. Burial will follow in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of the donor's choice.

Steven Perrine Jr.

LAGRANGE — Steven Patrick Perrine Jr. was stillborn Saturday in Lutheran Hospital.

Surviving are his parents, Steve and Jennifer (Konkler) Perrine of LaGrange; two sisters, Laycie Konkler and Courtney Perrine, both of LaGrange; a brother, Bailey Perrine of LaGrange; and grandparents, Ron and Linda Freeman of LaGrange; Richard and Tonya Perrine of Sea Brook Island, S.C.; Scott and Della Jourdan of Hudson, and James and Sandy Konkler of Zanesville, Ohio.

Private graveside services at a later date.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Helen Legier

ANGOLA — Helen Casebeer Legier, 81, of Angola and St. Albans, Vt., died Saturday in St. Albans.

Mrs. Legier was a homemaker. She attended Angola High School and Olivet College. She spent the past 10 years in Port Charlotte, Fla., and St. Albans, Vt.

She was born Jan. 28, 1917, in Angola to Carl A. and Bessie (Branyon) Casebeer, who preceded her in death.

On Dec. 16, 1950, she married John W. Legier, who survives her. His address is Hathaway Point Road, Box 268, St. Albans, Vt. 05478.

Also preceding her in death was a sister, Mrs. Mel (Aileen) Wild.

Also surviving are two daughters, Cindy Capassels of Vermont and Judy Legier of Windsor, Ontario; a son, Jack Legier of New Jersey; her step-mother, Gladys Casebeer; a step-sister, Anita Baker of Angola; and three grandchildren in Vermont.

Cremation will be in Vermont. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Angola.

Charles Robbins Sr.

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — Charles M. Robbins Sr., 86, died Sunday at 9 p.m. in Huntington Beach Hospital in Huntington Beach, Calif.

He retired in 1977 With 21 years of service as a hospital administrator for Union County Hospital in Marysville, Ohio. He was a life member of the American College of Health Care Executives. He lived in Huntington Beach.

Mr. Robbins was born April 24, 1912, in Bluffton to the late Jesse W. and Goldie P. (Webb) Robbins.

He married Berniece Helton, who died in 1986. He married Edna H. Johnson in December 1987 in Hawaii and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Charles M. Robbins Jr. of Auburn and Keith M. Robbins of Newburgh, Ind.; one daughter, Carole M. Coleman of Coshocton, Ohio; a stepdaughter, Pam Banages of Marino Valley, Calif.; two brothers, George of Fort Wayne and Jack of Peru; one sister, Melba Rusher of Berne; 11 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services are pending Friday at the funeral home, with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

ALBION — A memorial service for **Verlo R. Butz** will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in Wright Cemetery, northwest of Albion on C.R. 500N.

LIGONIER — **William F. "Fred" Adair**, 83, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., July 22, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

George Houlton

MARIANNA, Fla. — George Houlton, 81, died Dec. 31, 1997, in Marianna, Fla.

He was a former Butler resident. He was a former booker and retired from Commercial Shearing in Butler. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and taught R.O.T.C., retiring after 23 years of service.

Surviving him are his wife, Jean; one son, James D. of Miami, Fla.; a grandson, Scotty Houlton of Miami; and several nieces and nephews.

A committal service will take place Saturday at 2 p.m. in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton. The Rev. Stevan Haiflich will officiate.

H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Osie Whitt

HUDSON — Osie O. Whitt, 91, of Auburn, died at 12:15 a.m. today in the Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Margret Shull

AUBURN — Margret Shull, 67, of Auburn, died at 12:45 a.m. today in Auburn Health Care Center.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **Bryan Demoine Robbins**, 89, died Monday. Memorial services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Calvary United Methodist Church in Syracuse, with calling there one hour before services.

The Evening Star, Thurs., July 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Charles Robbins Sr.

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — Charles M. Robbins Sr., 86, died Sunday at 9 p.m. in Huntington Beach Hospital in Huntington Beach, Calif.

He retired in 1977 with 21 years of service as a hospital administrator for Union County Hospital in Marysville, Ohio. He was a life member of the American College of Health Care Executives. He lived in Huntington Beach.

Mr. Robbins was born April 24, 1912, in Bluffton to the late Jesse W. and Goldie P. (Webb) Robbins.

He married Berniece Helton, who died in 1986. He married Edna H. Johnson in December 1987 in Hawaii and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Charles M. Robbins Jr. of Auburn and Keith M. Robbins of Newburgh, Ind.; one daughter, Carole M. Coleman of Coshocton, Ohio; a stepdaughter, Pam Banages of Marino Valley, Calif.; two brothers, George of Fort Wayne and Jack of Peru; one sister, Melba Rusher of Berne; 11 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home, with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Richard Levon Maxson**, 69, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Friday.

LAGRANGE — **Beulah J. Arnold**, 75, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

LAGRANGE — **Donna I. Fry**, 85, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

SYRACUSE — **Mary M. Swartzendruber**, 94, died Tuesday. Services Saturday in Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

SYRACUSE — **Howard Richard Wolferman**, 70, died Wednesday. Services 11 a.m. Saturday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Mishler Chapel, Milford, with calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Osie Whitt

AUBURN — Osie O. Whitt, 91, of Auburn, died at 12:15 a.m. Wednesday in Sacred Heart Home in Avilla.

She was born Nov. 7, 1906, in Honaker, Va., to Thomas Ray and Ava (Crawford) Whitt. On Aug. 28, 1924, in Honaker, she married Birt Whitt. He preceded her in death Oct. 30, 1988.

Mrs. Whitt, a homemaker, moved to Auburn from Ashley in 1988.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Alan (Patty) Singleton of Kendallville; seven sons, Ralph Whitt of Richlands, Va., and Thomas "Bill" Whitt and Bertie Whitt, both of Kendallville, Lonnie Whitt of Ashley, Lloyd Whitt of Rural Retreat, Va., Donald Whitt of Pilgrims Knob, Va., and Raymond Whitt of Waterloo; two sisters, Manley Stinson of West Virginia, and Virginia Scherel of Florida; a brother, William Griffith of Ohio; several grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Martha Barrantes; two sons, Arnold Whitt and Gerald Whitt; and a grandson, Bryan Lockhart.

Graveside services were Thursday at 2 p.m. in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna, with the Rev. Willard Sanders officiating. There was private family visitation.

Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, was in charge of arrangements.

Beulah Arnold

LAGRANGE — Beulah J. Arnold, 75, of LaGrange, died Tuesday in her residence.

She was born Oct. 22, 1922, in LaGrange County to Herbert J. and Beulah F. (Bickel) Coney. On Feb. 6, 1945, in Fort Wayne, she married Clyde W. Arnold. He survives.

Mrs. Arnold, a lifetime resident of LaGrange and Steuben counties, was a homemaker.

Surviving are five daughters, Mary Wigginton of Gilbert, Ariz., Mrs. Don (Barbara) Sutton of Fremont, Linda Arnold of LaGrange, Mrs. David (Thelma) Rogers of Middlebury, and Mrs. Mike (Anna) Clark of Hamilton; three sons and daughters-in-law, Billy and Rita Arnold of Angola, Roger W. and Jill Arnold of Hudson, and Dale and Ruth Arnold of Pleasant Lake; three sisters, Bessie Franklin of LaGrange, Betty McNall of Howe and Ms. Wymond (Barbara) Ritter of Sellersburg; a brother, George Coney of Angola; 18 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

One sister and one brother preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Carldean Merrifield officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Howe.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the LaGrange County Cancer Society.

Doris Seibert

ANGOLA — Doris May Seibert, 73, of Angola, died at 7:05 p.m. Wednesday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Seibert retired from International Harvester, where she was a factory worker. She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola.

She was born Feb. 16, 1925, in Fort Wayne to the late Louis and Anna (Bohde) Heidbrink.

Surviving are a son, Conrad Roemke of Angola; three daughters, Carole Woodard of Vinita, Okla., Patricia Brown of Fort Wayne and Mindy Brown of Ossian; a sister, Lucy Junk of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 1-3 p.m. Saturday at Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola.

Services are 3 p.m. Saturday at the church with the Rev. Donald Meyer officiating. Burial will be in Concordia Lutheran Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, or to the Steuben County Humane Shelter.

Funeral arrangements are being made by the Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Evening Star, Fri, July 24, 1998 (cont'd)

Richard Moser

ANGOLA — Richard D. Moser, 48, of Angola, died at 9:20 p.m. Wednesday at his home.

A 1967 graduate of Angola High School, Moser moved back to Angola eight years ago from Speedway, where he owned a business. He was a member of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Angola and worked at N&N Barbershop, Angola.

He was born July 24, 1949, in Angola to Dennis "Duke" and Grace (Breidenbaugh) Moser. His mother preceded him in death on Feb. 20, and a brother, Roger, preceded him in death in 1969.

Surviving are his father, of Angola; two brothers, Philip of Hamilton and Douglas of Angola; and three nieces.

Friends may call at the Weicht Funeral Home in Angola from 6-8 this evening. Services are 10 a.m. Sunday at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, with Father Fred Pasche officiating.

Burial will be at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery in Defiance, Ohio. Preferred memorials are to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church.

Margaret Shull

AUBURN — Margaret June Shull, 67, of Auburn, died at 12:45 a.m. Wednesday in Auburn Healthcare Center following a lengthy illness.

She was born in LaGrange Dec. 21, 1930, to Frederick E. and Elnor Sara (March) Foote. On Sept. 6, 1947, she married Edward F. Shull. He preceded her in death June 28, 1979.

Mrs. Shull moved to Auburn 10 years ago from Hudson. She retired from Wire Harness Products, United Technologies in Topeka, after 22 years.

Surviving are a son, Jerry Shull of Auburn; a brother, Harold Foote of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, Jason and Amanda Shull and Tommy and Christy Foote; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, James Foote; three brothers, Lyn, Daniel and Charles Foote; and two sisters, Mildred Gannon and Mable Young.

Services will be at a later date in Sparta Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Ivan Engle

ANGOLA — Ivan A. Engle, 84, of Angola, died at 9:36 a.m. Thursday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

A native of Fort Wayne, he moved to Angola in 1985 and resided there 13 years. He worked as a heat treater at Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne and was a member of the Dana Retirees.

He married Mae East on June 24, 1939, and she survives him.

Also surviving are a son, Dean, of Bluffton; two daughters, Carol Hollinger of Fishers, and Barbara Halsey of Angola; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Greg Hollinger, in 1997.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. Services are 10 a.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Stephen Altman officiating.

Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne. Preferred memorials are to Cameron Hospice.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Richard LaVon Maxson** 69, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today.

TOPEKA — **Thad T. Stoltz**, 79, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Topeka United Methodist Church. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier.

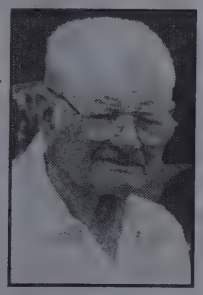
The Evening Star, Sat., July 25, 1998,

Deaths/Funerals

F. Edward Shenk

GARRETT — F. Edward Shenk, 84, died Thursday at 4 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He owned and operated Shenk Airport, Garrett, for 52 years. He also was a civilian foreman of maintenance for flight testing at Baer Field, Fort Wayne, during World War II. he lived on County Road 3, Garrett.



Shenk

He was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren of Garrett, Huntertown Masonic Lodge 589, Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne Shrine Club, Cedar Creek Shrine Club, Flying Shriners, Quiet Birdmen, and Flying Octogenarians.

He served on the DeKalb County Council for 12 years and managed the DeKalb County airport for 1 1/2 years. He received the Worthy Charles Taylor Award for 50 years of mechanical service for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Mr. Shenk was born Dec. 14, 1913, in Auburn to the late Frank and Agnes (Thibaut) Shenk.

He married Audra Frazier on Aug. 17, 1933, in Eel River Baptist Church, Churubusco, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Bill of Bosman, Md.; one daughter, Karen Moore of Goshen; one brother, Lee of LaOtto; five grandchildren, Chuck and Jim Shenk, Darby Moore-Doyle, and Paige and Yancy Moore; and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in the Shenk Airport hangar. There is no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to Shriner's Children's Hospital or Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

George Gray

AUBURN — George G. Gray, 67, died Thursday at 12:27 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He was a die cast manager, retiring in 1985. He lived on Dallas Street in Auburn and was a member of the Auburn Moose Lodge and Society of Die Cast Engineers.

Mr. Gray was born Jan. 24, 1931, in Nettleton, Miss., to the late Romie and Iola J. (Guyton) Gray.

He married Ruby Griffin on Dec. 14, 1951, in Houston, Miss., and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, George M. of Garrett and Wayne of Auburn; one daughter, Gwen Gray of Auburn; five brothers, Willie of Warren, Ohio, Gene L. of Columbus, Ohio, Cecil C. and Thomas G., both of Starkville, Miss., and Ruble E. of Vicksburg, Miss.; three sisters, Erma Jean Logan of Vicksburg, Dorothy Jane Gillis of Springfield, La., and Opal Moore of Utica, Miss.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of the donor's choice.

Cecil J. Coburn

FREMONT — Cecil J. Coburn, 62, of Fremont, died Friday at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Coburn was a technical services supervisor at Moore Business Forms in Angola and a member of E Congregation of Jehovah Witnesses.

He was born Aug. 25, 1935, to the late Cecil B. Coburn and Oma (Howard) Coburn Keller in Steuben County. His mother survives him.

On Dec. 25, 1960, he married Alice Firestone, who also survives him.

Also surviving are three sons, Carl J. (and Elizabeth) Coburn of Fremont, Timothy Coburn of Hastings, N.Y., and Stephen J. (and Nicole) Coburn of Fremont; three daughters, Diana J. (and Jeff) Strite of Logansport, Tabitha J. Coburn of Fremont and Jennifer J. (and William) Devers of Dunnellon, Fla.; six grandchildren; and two brothers, Joe (and Brenda) Coburn of Dunnellon, Fla., and Ron (and Wilma) Keller of Fremont.

There will be no calling.

Services will begin at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Angola, with the Rev. Max Houser officiating.

Burial will be at a later date.

Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

The Evening Star, Mon., July 27, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Gary Arnos

FREMONT — Gary W. Arnos, 57, died Saturday at 6:53 p.m. at his Snow Lake residence.

Mr. Arnos was the owner of Stuckey Archery in New Haven. A graduate of Woodburn High School, he was a retired 25-year employee of International Harvester and a member of the Angola Elks lodge.

He was born Sept. 24, 1940, in New Haven to the late Russell and Celia (Orlowski) Arnos.

His wife of 25 years, Lois (Bailey) Arnos, survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Cindy (and husband, Tony) Curtland of Garrett, and Stacey (and husband, Tony) Pellicca of Fremont; a son, Brian (and wife, Trina) Arnos of Fremont; three brothers, Robert (and wife, Betty) Arnos of Fort Wayne, David (and wife, Leila) Arnos of Fort Wayne, and Dale (and wife, Doris) Arnos of Fort Wayne; a sister, Betty (and husband, Gilbert) Hoffman of Woodburn; and five grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-8:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. An Angola Elks service will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Services begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Darold Beck officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association.

Robert Foster

ALBION — Robert I. Foster, 61, of Albion, died at 1:53 p.m. Saturday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Aug. 17, 1936, in Albion to Noble and Jeannette (Nicodemus) Foster. His father is deceased and his mother survives near Cromwell.

Mr. Foster, a lifetime Noble County resident, retired from International Harvester in Fort Wayne. He was a Korean War veteran and a member of Eagles Lodge 1906 in Columbia City and Wolf Lake VFW Post 4717.

Surviving are his companion, Gladys Foster; three daughters, Vickey Hochstetler of Topeka, Robin Foster of Columbia City, and Denda Chagoya of Waterloo; three sons, David Foster of Plover, Wis., Harold Foster of Defiance, Ohio, and Scott Foster of Auburn; three sisters, Leona Brower of Knapp Lake, Nancy Burton of Cromwell, and Patsy Bustos of Dallas, Texas; two brothers, Ivan Foster and William Foster, both of Columbia City; 15 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with the Rev. Edna Wiley officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery, Albion.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Lung Association.

Wayne Grim

EDGERTON, Ohio — Wayne R. Grim, 79, died Saturday at 2:10 p.m. in Community Hospitals of Williams County.

Mr. Grim lived in Edgerton and was a long-time resident of Bryan, Ohio. He was retired from International Harvester in Fort Wayne with 30 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a lifetime member of the Bryan post of Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He was born Feb. 7, 1919, in Stryker, Ohio, to the late Frank and Anna Laura (Roux) Grim.

He married Norma M. Furrow-Snyder on July 10, 1953, in Angola, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Robert H. Snyder of Auburn; one daughter, Susan Winebar of Edgerton; one brother, Vernon of Bryan; five grandchildren and two-great-grandchildren.

One brother, Henry, and one sister, Edna Calvin, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 1-3 and 5-7 p.m. (Indiana time) in Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with Bill Priest officiating. Burial will take place in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton, with graveside military rites conducted by the Bryan VFW.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Parkview Nursing Center Activities Fund in Edgerton.

Evening Star, Mon., July 27, 1998 (cont'd)

Orlena Saunders

AUBURN — Orlena E. Saunders, 81, died today at 2 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home of Auburn.

She was an Auburn homemaker and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church in rural Waterloo.

She was born Nov. 29, 1916, in DeKalb County to the late Roy and Lovina (Lockwood) Gump.

Surviving her are one son, Wayne Allen Saunders of Goshen; one daughter, Bonnie Lou Stahley of Sevierville, Tenn.; one brother, Louis Ray Gump of Butler; three sisters, Dorothy Wilcox of Kent, Ohio; and Ruth Hall and Deloris Reese, both of Auburn; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, George; one brother, Chester, and one sister, Lorene Ethelwine Woodcock.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Freewill Baptist Church, with the Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial will take place in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Goshen.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

William Gasper

FORT WAYNE — William D. Gasper, 74, died Saturday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Gasper retired in 1978 from the 122nd Tactical Fighter Wing of the Indiana Air National Guard after 38 years as a master sergeant. He was was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, a past master of Waynedale Lodge 739, F.& A.M., and a member of the Shrine. He was former chief of the Waynedale and Anthony Wayne Volunteer Fire Departments.

Surviving him are his wife, Norma Marie (Keel) Gasper; two daughters, Patricia M. Stark of Fort Wayne and Kathy Leora Gasper of St. Joe; one son, William Alan Gasper of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Albert of Kendallville and Kenneth of Fort Wayne, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 5-8 p.m. at C.M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home, 1327 Wells St.

Waynedale Lodge 739, F.&A.M., will conduct a service Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will take place Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Wallace T. Miller**, 61, died Friday. He was president of the Anthony Wayne Council Foundation. He was chief executive officer of MMM Invest Inc., LaGrange and an economics professor at Ball State University. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in First United Methodist Church in LaGrange. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Deaths/Funerals

Marcella Young

AUBURN — Marcella M. "Sally" Young, 81, died Monday at 1:34 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was a homemaker and lived most of her life in DeKalb County. She was a member of the Indian Village Church of God, Auburn, and the Garrett Order of Eastern Star. She also was active in reconditioning dolls for the DeKalb County Christmas Bureau.

Mrs. Young was born March 11, 1917, in Fort Wayne to the late Edward and Myrtle (Sproat) Federspiel.

She married James U. Young in May 1958 and he died in December 1983.

Surviving her are two sons, William E. Johnson of Fort Wayne and Frank R. Johnson of Butler; one daughter, Donna L. Varhola of Dayton, Ohio; five sisters, Opal Buchanan and Ruth Brendel, both of Auburn, Edythe Eager of Harlan, Ellen Dean of Rockford, Ill., and Doris Garber of Fresno, Ohio; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, Earl and Bert Federspiel, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Indian Village Church of God, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Carroll McNutt, a former pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will take place in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Thelma Trowbridge

KENDALLVILLE — Thelma C. Trowbridge, of Kendallville, died at 4:41 a.m. Monday on her 87th birthday in Kendallville Manor HealthCare Center after a lengthy illness.

She was born in Fort Wayne July 27, 1911, to John and Catherine (Ebner) Schmidt. On June 29, 1935, in Toledo, Ohio, she married Jack D. Trowbridge. He preceded her in death May 15, 1988.

Trowbridge

Mrs. Trowbridge, a homemaker, had lived in Kendallville 53 years coming from Fort Wayne. She was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and its Rosary Sodality, Harvest House and was a former member of the Housewives Bowling League and the Friday Night Bowling League.

Surviving are seven daughters and sons-in-law, Mrs. George (Pat) Brumbaugh and Mrs. Garth (Helen) Gillespie, both of Garrett, and Mrs. Norman (Donna) Conrad and Mrs. Tom (Janet) McKinley, both of Kendallville, Mrs. Michael (Judith) Pretschold of Mt. Prospect, Ill., Mrs. Don (Jean) Fredrickson of Avilla, and Mrs. Allan (Karen) Conrad of Elkhart; three sons and daughters-in-law, Lawrence and Nyda Trowbridge, Steven and Pamela Trowbridge and Daniel and Dena Trowbridge, all of Kendallville; 32 grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two grandchildren, eight brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, with the Rev. Jacob Gall officiating. Burial will be in Sweet Cemetery, Albion.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, where the rosary will be recited at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church or to the donor's choice.

James Spencer

BUTLER — James Paul Spencer, 65, died Monday at 1 p.m. in Butler.

He was retired from Imperial Clevite in Angola with 15 years of service. He was formerly employed by Universal Tool & Stamping Co., Butler. He lived in Butler.

Mr. Spencer was born May 22, 1933, in Hazzard, Ky., to the late Harlan and Mattie Lou (Ketchum) Spencer.

He married DeLoris I. DeLong in 1958, and she died in 1967.

He married Ruth Irene Pugh on May 1, 1968, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Yulonda Girardot of Waterloo and Penny Weeks of Cordele, Ga.; seven stepsons, Raymond Morrow and David Morrow, both of Butler, Lloyd Morrow of Hamilton, Roger Morrow of Ashley, Larry Morrow of Angola, Lloyd Webb of Grabill, and Jerry Webb of Butler; one stepdaughter, Sharon Urban of Helendale, Calif.; one brother, Ray Spencer of Lake City, Fla.; one sister, Linda Miller of Angola; 11 grandchildren, 31 stepgrandchildren, two great-grandchildren and 28 stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Silas, Robert and David; one stepson, Lowell Webb; and two grandchildren, Romanda Spencer and Chad Girardot.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Paul Patton of the Butler Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Evening Star, Tues., July 28, 1998 (cont'd)

Mildred Franks

PORTLAND, Ind. — Mildred I. Franks, 85, died Sunday at Community Care Center East in Portland.

Mrs. Franks was retired from the First National Bank in Portland. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, God's Golden Group and Thursday Night Bible Study.

She was born March 15, 1913, in Jay County to the late Harry G. and Iva (Carrier) Lyons.

She married Melvin J. Franks on Nov. 29, 1934, and he died Oct. 2, 1987.

Surviving are two sons, Richard L. of Auburn and Larry J. of Bel Air, Md.; one daughter, Barbara Kay Kaidinger of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Lucille Macy and Bonnie Marie Bisel, both of Portland; a sister-in-law, Helen Franks of Philadelphia, Pa.; a special friend, Russel Graffmiller of Portland; seven grandchildren, Barry Miller, Greg MIller, David Miller and Todd Miller, all of Portland; Terri Willis of Fort Wayne; Chris Franks of Washington, D.C., and Laura Baler of Fort Dodge, Iowa; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 5-8 p.m. in Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, Portland.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home,with the Rev. David Smitley presiding. Burial will take place in Green Park Cemetery, Portland.

Memorial contributions may be given to Trinity United Methodist Church.

Josephine Snyder

FREMONT — Josephine A. Snyder, 84, of Ellenton, Fla., died June 28 at 5 a.m. at her residence.

Mrs. Snyder was a homemaker.

She was born Nov. 13, 1913, in Fremont to the late Frank and Lettie (Shaffer) Penner.

Surviving are three sons, George W. Snyder of Tampa, Fla., Richard Snyder of Goshen and Ned Snyder of Fremont; a daughter, JoAnn Pauwels of Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, in 1992; a son, John; two grandchildren; three sisters; and a brother.

Friends may call Sunday from 1-2:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Fremont Cemetery Association.

Orlena Saunders

AUBURN — Orlena E. Saunders, 81, died Monday at 2 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home of Auburn.

She was an Auburn homemaker and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church in rural Waterloo.

She was born Nov. 29, 1916, in DeKalb County to the late Roy and Lovina (Lockwood) Gump.

Surviving her are one son, Wayne Allen Saunders of Goshen; one daughter, Bonnie Lou Stahley of Sevierville, Tenn.; one brother, Lewis Roy Gump of Butler; three sisters, Dorothy Wilcox of Kent, Ohio; and Ruth Hall and Deloris Reese, both of Auburn; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, George; one brother, Chester, and one sister, Lorene Ethelwine Woodcock.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Freewill Baptist Church, with the Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial will take place in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Goshen.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Marion Wallace

BRYAN, Ohio — Marion E. "Wally" Wallace, 77, died Monday at Harborside Healthcare of Northwest Ohio in Bryan.

He was a former deputy for the Williams County Sheriff's Department and worked at Northwest Materials. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2489 of Bryan and Bryan Eagles 2233.

Mr. Wallace was born Oct. 21, 1920, in Angola to the late Edwin and Inez (Bishop) Wallace.

He married N. Jean Wallace, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mary Aulbert of Spring, Texas, and Judy King of Clearwater, Fla.; two stepdaughters, Fran Platt of Hicksville, Ohio, and Peg Hawkins of Fort Wayne; one stepson, James A. Koch of Angola; four grandchildren, six stepgrandchildren, seven stepgreat-grandchildren and one sister, Alice Hollabaugh of Auburn.

One brother, Ed Wallace, preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be conducted Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Bryan, with the Rev. Gil Lewis officiating. Military rites will be conducted by VFW Post 2489 of Bryan.

Memorial donations may be made to Harborside Healthcare of Northwest Ohio, Bryan, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, Wed., July 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Alberta Cochran

AUBURN — Alberta Cochran, 77, died Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. in her daughter's home.

Mrs. Cochran lived in rural Auburn for 58 years and was a homemaker. She was a graduate of New Haven High School and a former member of the Union Township Friends.

She was born June 18, 1921, in Marion to the late Wayne R. and Cora (Keller) Rohrer.

She married Wesley Cochran on May 17, 1941, in New Haven, and he died in 1991.

Surviving her are one son and daughter-in-law, David D. and Mary Cochran of Auburn; two daughters and sons-in-law, Cora L. and Eugene Fuhrer of Auburn and Mildred I. and Fred Miller, also of Auburn; one brother, Roscoe Rohrer of Liberty Center; one sister, Mildred Myers of Avilla; seven grandchildren, Brian, Bruce and Jason Fuhrer, Greg and Mike Cochran, Michelle Pfefferkorn and Angela Miller; and eight great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 3-9 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Al Black officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

Harold Gerard

CAMBRIDGE CITY, Ind. — Harold L. Gerard, 89, died Tuesday at Reid Hospital in Richmond, Ind.

He worked in the layout and design blueprint division steel grating fabrication unit at Rockwell Standard & Spring Co. in Gary. He worked on many projects, including drawbridges and grating for the early Nike missile bases and the early space program gantry pads, installed at Cape Canaveral and Houston Space Center. In his later years he worked in the maintenance department. He worked a total of 35 years for Rockwell International, McDonnel Douglas, and the Boeing Corp.

He was a member of the Augustana Lutheran Church in Hobart, and was a founding member of the Hobart Boat & Ski Club. He attended the Milton Christian Church.

Mr. Gerard was born in Pittsfield, Ill., to the late Leif and Gene (Hayden) Gerard. He lived in Hobart for 35 years and in Berne for 24 years before moving to Cambridge City in 1996.

Surviving him are two sons, Phil Gerard of Angola and Gerald Gerard of Cambridge City; three grandsons, John, Jeff and William; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Annette Gerard, on Aug. 25, 1996, and a brother, Gerald Gerard.

Friends may call Thursday from 6-8 p.m. in Waskom-Howard-Fisher Capitol Hill Chapel in Cambridge City.

Services will take place Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John "Woody" Woodford of the Milton Christian Church officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery, Hagerstown, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be given to Milton Christian Church, 307 S. Central St., Milton IN 47357.

Terry McDermott

AUBURN — Terry P. McDermott, 36, died Monday at 10:34 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, from injuries he suffered Thursday in a traffic accident on State Road 8.

Mr. McDermott was a superintendent of maintenance at Auburn Foundry.

He was born Feb. 22, 1962, in Garrett to Patrick J. and Laura A. (Livergood) McDermott. His mother survives in Auburn and his father is deceased.

Also surviving him are three brothers, James J. of Chicago, Frank J. of Atlanta, and John D. of Louisville; and one sister, Dorothy M. McNerney of Carmel.

Friends may call today from 3-9 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. A Christian wake service will be conducted today at 8:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

A funeral Mass will take place Thursday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, with Father James J. Sapp officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School or the Immaculate Conception Church youth group.

Evening Star, Wed., July 29, 1998 (cont'd)

Maurice Terry

LAOTTO — Maurice W. Terry, 85, died Tuesday at 4:55 p.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He retired from Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne in 1974 with 16 years of service. He was a lifetime farmer in Keyser Township of DeKalb County and lived on Tamarack Street in LaOtto. He was a member of the Dana Retirees Association.

Mr. Terry was born April 11, 1913, in Butler Township to the late Ora and Edith (Lahnam) Terry.

He married Irene Farrington on Jan. 1, 1937 in Jackson Township, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Roger of Garrett; four daughters, Janet Peters of Chicago, Sherrill Peters of Auburn, and Sandra Terry and Joan Ice, both of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

One brother, Robert, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **John E. Keefus**, 89, died Sunday. Private services were held. Visitation is from 4-6 p.m. in the Keefus residence, 1815W — 650N, Howe.

HOWE — **Clifford E. LeCount**, 69, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

LAGRANGE — **Edna L. Frain**, 94, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Charley H. "Chic" McCoy**, 95, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there one hour before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Dean Whiteleather**, 75, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., July 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Joseph Bowman

BUTLER — Joseph E. Bowman, 77, died Wednesday at 12:35 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was a retired painter and decorator for Bowman Painting & Decorating. A World War II veteran, he served in the 303rd Bomb Group of the U.S. Air Force from 1942 to 1945. He was a lifetime resident of Butler.

Mr. Bowman was born July 19, 1921, in Butler to the late Elmer J. and Mary Jane (Reas) Bowman.

He married Ruth Houser on Jan. 1, 1946, in Butler, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joseph N. of Butler and Bruce of Clayton, Ind.; two daughters, Carole Bard and Cheryl Markiton, both of Auburn; one brother, Andrew of Auburn; one sister, Bertha Hamil of Statesville, N.C.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One son, Brian, preceded him in death in 1990.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Butler United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Butler United Methodist Church, DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society, or a charity of the donor's choice.

F. Edward Shenk

GARRETT — A memorial service for F. Edward Shenk will take place Monday at 1 p.m. in the hangar at Shenk Airport, 6117 County Road 3. The Rev. Glenn Mulligan will officiate.

Mr. Shenk, 84, died July 23 at 4 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He owned and operated Shenk Airport for 52 years. He also was a civilian foreman of maintenance for flight testing at Baer Field, Fort Wayne, during World War II. He lived on County Road 3, Garrett.

He was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren in rural Garrett, Huntertown Masonic Lodge 589, Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne Shrine Club, Cedar Creek Shrine Club, Flying Shriners, Quiet Birdmen, and Flying Octogenarians.

He served on the DeKalb County Council for 12 years and managed the DeKalb County Airport for 1 1/2 years. He received the Worthy Charles Taylor Award for 50 years of mechanical service for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Mr. Shenk was born Dec. 14, 1913, in Auburn to the late Frank and Agnes (Thibaut) Shenk.

He married Audra Frazier on Aug. 17, 1933, in Eel River Baptist Church, Churubusco, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Bill of Bosman, Md.; one daughter, Karen Moore of Goshen, Ky.; one brother, Lee of LaOtto; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be given to Shriner's Children's Hospital or Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

Darrel Wagner

SARASOTA, Fla. — Darrel H. Wagner, 73, of Sarasota, Fla., and formerly of Angola, died Wednesday in Sarasota.

Mr. Wagner was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving during World War II in the South Pacific and China. He was a member of the Church of the Palms-Presbyterian in Sarasota and American Legion Post 31, Angola.

He was born April 12, 1925, in Iowa City, Iowa, to the late Virgil and Arveda (Rumple) Wagner.

He moved to Sarasota in 1978 from Angola. He was an automobile dealer for Bond Auto in Tampa, Fla., for the past 15 years.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Gene (Steiner) Wagner; a son, Steve Wagner of Des Moines, Iowa; two sisters, Coleen Allmandinger of Berne, and Rosalyn Kuhn of Angola; a brother, the Rev. Larry Schwartz of Indianapolis; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Lynn David Wagner.

Friends may call from 7-9 tonight at Toale Brothers Gulf Gate Chapel, 6903 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, Fla. Graveside services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Sarasota Memorial Park.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Southwest Florida Inc., 5955 Rand Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34238.

Evening Star, Thurs., July 30, 1998 (cont'd)

Thelma Carper

GARRETT — Thelma B. Carper, 89, died Wednesday at 7:20 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She retired from Greenhurst Country Club of Auburn in 1965 with 10 years of service. She formerly lived on South Cowen Street in Garrett.

Mrs. Carper was born June 23, 1909, in Fairfield Center to the late Harvey and Eva (Gardner) Zonker.

She married Lloyd C. Carper on July 19, 1934, in Auburn, and he died April 14, 1985.

Surviving her are one son, Gene Carper of Auburn; one daughter, Jan Carper of Garrett; two grandchildren, Robert E. Carper of Auburn and Debbie J. Jordan of Bryan, Ohio; and two great-grandchildren, Kevin and Jenny Carper of Auburn.

One brother, Paul Zonker, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2:30-5:30 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Albert Stayner

ANGOLA — Albert W. Stayner, 84, of Angola, died Wednesday at 6:28 a.m. at his residence.

Mr. Stayner was a retired farmer and had retired from Simpson Industries after 15 years of service.

He was born Feb. 25, 1914, in Steuben County to the late Edward and Louisa (Hastings) Stayner.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Dessie (Wilcox) Stayner, at home; a son, Nathan (and wife, Deana) Stayner of Angola; two daughters, Judith (and husband, John) Heinrich of Wading River, N.Y., and Carol (and husband, Les) Loynes of Fremont; two brothers, Charles (and wife, Edna) Stayner of Angola, and Laurence (and wife, Clela) Stayner of Butler; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Friends may call Friday from 4-8:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Jackson Prairie Cemetery, Steuben County.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Gloria Murillo**, daughter of Gregorio and Irma (Pailla) Murillo, was stillborn Tuesday. Graveside services at 4 p.m. Friday in Oak Park Cemetery, Ligonier. There is no calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Mildred Herbolsheimer

AUBURN — Mildred P. Herbolsheimer, 87, died Wednesday at 11:25 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

A lifetime Auburn resident, she was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, and was a 1928 graduate of Auburn High School. She was a dispatcher for the Auburn Police Department, retiring in February 1976 with 17 years of service.

She was born Feb. 12, 1911, in Auburn, to Curtis and Ada (Grogg) Dunn, who are deceased.

She married Theodore R. Herbolsheimer on April 27, 1929, in Auburn, and he died in 1977.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, John and Virginia Herbolsheimer of Auburn; a sister, Ethel Webb of Auburn; five grandchildren, Laura Waters of Garrett, Amy Hopkins of Butler, Marsha Stockert of Wolcottville, Teddra Herbolsheimer of Auburn, and Dan Montez of Thornton, Colo.; and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sisters.

A memorial service will take place Monday at 11 a.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, with the Rev. Harvey L. Huntley officiating. Burial will be at a later date in Woodlawn Cemetery. There will be no public calling.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Robert Vaughn

FREMONT — Robert L. "Arky" Vaughn, 78, of Lake George, died Wednesday at 9:10 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Vaughn had served as president of the Fremont Town Council; as a Fremont Township trustee; as fire chief of the Fremont Volunteer Fire Department; and as a member of the Fremont Community Schools board.

He was the owner of Vaughn's Dry Cleaners. He also worked as a carpenter.

He had been a professional baseball pitcher with the Detroit Tigers organization, the Fort Wayne City Lights and the Fremont Commercial teams. He was an instructor for the Fremont Building Trades Program and was the "voice" of the Fremont Eagles football team. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II. He was past master of the F. & A.M., a past patron of the Fremont Eastern Star, and a member of the Fremont K of P.

He was born May 5, 1920, in Hamilton to the late Ford R. and Luella (Nickols) Vaughn.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Mary Rebecca (Avery) Vaughn, at home; two sons, Steven (and wife, Kathleen) Vaughn of Fremont, and Anthony F. Vaughn of Fremont; a daughter, Suzanne L. (and husband, Steve) Kneeland of Eden Prairie, Minn.; five grandchildren, Emma L., Melissa S. and Lindsay E. Vaughn, all of Fremont, and Harris R. and Hanna R. Kneeland of Eden Prairie; and a brother, Hal D. Vaughn of Fremont.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Howard and Ronald.

Friends may call Tuesday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Fremont United Methodist Church.

Masonic services and military rites begin at noon Tuesday in the church, and funeral services follow at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the Fremont United Methodist Church Building Fund. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Joseph Bowman

BUTLER — Joseph E. Bowman, 77, died Wednesday at 12:35 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was a retired painter and decorator for Bowman Painting & Decorating. A World War II veteran, he served in the 303rd Bomb Group of the U.S. Air Force from 1942 to 1945. He was a lifetime resident of Butler.

Mr. Bowman was born July 10, 1921, in Butler to the late Elmer J. and Mary Jane (Reas) Bowman.

He married Ruth Houser on Jan. 1, 1946, in Butler, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joseph N. of Butler and Bruce of Clayton, Ind.; two daughters, Carole Bard and Cheryl Markiton, both of Auburn; one brother, Andrew of Auburn; one sister, Bertha Hamil of Statesville, N.C.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One son, Brian, preceded him in death in 1990.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Butler United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Butler United Methodist Church, DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society, or a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Raynald A. Schmenk**, 88, died Wednesday. Services were 10 a.m. today in Avilla.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Vernon Jay Davis**, 74, died Wednesday. Services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., Aug. 1, 1998,

Deaths/Funerals

George Traster

AUBURN — George D. Traster, 71, of Auburn, died Thursday at 10:13 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Traster was employed at Auburn Gear, retiring in 1983 after 30 years with the company. He was a World War II veteran and a member of the Garrett American Legion post and the Eagles lodge.

He was born Dec. 6, 1926, in Mishawaka, to Russell D. and Goldie (Kalbie) Traster.

He married Della J. Rowe, who passed away April 26, 1973. He married Marcia Lee Boyce in 1994, and she survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are two daughters, Starr Garrett and Jocelyn Story, and one son, Mirth Traster, all of Garrett; one sister, Ruth Baysinger, of Auburn; 11 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Services and burial will take place Monday at 10 a.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. A military service will be conducted by the Garrett posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

There will be no calling. Funeral arrangements are being made by McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Robert Vaughn

FREMONT — Robert L. "Arky" Vaughn, 78, of Lake George, died Wednesday at 9:10 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Vaughn

Mr. Vaughn had served as president of the Fremont Town Council; as a Fremont Township trustee; as fire chief of the Fremont Volunteer Fire Department; and as a member of the Fremont Community Schools board.

He was the owner of Vaughn's Dry Cleaners. He also worked as a carpenter.

He had been a professional baseball pitcher with the Detroit Tigers organization, the Fort Wayne City Lights and the Fremont Commercial teams. He was an instructor for the Fremont Building Trades Program and was the "voice" of the Fremont Eagles football team. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II. He was past master of the F. & A.M., a past patron of the Fremont Eastern Star, and a member of the Fremont K of P.

He was born May 5, 1920, in Hamilton to the late Ford R. and Luella (Nickols) Vaughn.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Mary Rebecca (Avery) Vaughn, at home; two sons, Steven (and wife, Kathleen) Vaughn of Fremont, and Anthony F. Vaughn of Fremont; a daughter, Suzanne L. (and husband, Steve) Kneeland of Eden Prairie, Minn.; five grandchildren, Emma L., Melissa S. and Lindsay E. Vaughn, all of Fremont, and Harris R. and Hanna R. Kneeland of Eden Prairie; and a brother, Hal D. Vaughn of Fremont.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Howard and Ronald.

Friends may call Tuesday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Fremont United Methodist Church.

Masonic services and military rites begin at noon Tuesday in the church, and funeral services follow at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the Fremont United Methodist Church Building Fund. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Annie M. Calkins**, 92, died Friday in Fort Wayne. Calling Monday at 10 a.m. at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville. Services immediately following at the funeral home. Burial in Corunna Cemetery, Corunna. Arrangements by Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

The Evening Star, Mon. Aug. 3, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Wade Rottger

AUBURN — Wade Allen Rottger, 31, died Saturday at 3:55 a.m. in an auto accident at State Road 327 and County 32.

Mr. Rottger worked at Cambridge Corp. in Ashley. He lived in Auburn, but had lived most of his life in Corunna. He was a former member of the DeKalb High School baseball team. He attended Vincennes University one year and Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne.

He was born Oct. 5, 1966, in Auburn to Harry J. and Cynthia (Farrington) Rottger. They survive in Auburn.

Also surviving are one brother and sister-in-law, Mark Allen and Kristi Rottger of Auburn; a sister and brother-in-law, Heather and Kenny DePew of Waterloo, and a sister, Tonya Gamble of Corunna; his grandparents, Tom and Pat Harrington of Granite City, Ill.; two nieces, Micolea DePew and Kelli Rottger, and three nephews, Dustin and Denton Gamble, and Zachary DePew.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Sedan Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Woodburn Christian Children's Home.

Russell Rittenhouse

CORUNNA — Russell Lee Rittenhouse, 24, died Saturday in an automobile accident in DeKalb County.

He had attended Elwood Community High School and was employed at Dalton Corp. in Kendallville as a fork lift operator. He lived on South Street in Corunna.

Mr. Rittenhouse was born Feb. 9, 1974, in Elwood to Bob and Susie Rittenhouse. They survive in Elwood.

He married Amy Hunsberger on May 15, 1995, and she survives.

Also surviving are two stepsons, Chris Smith and Jason Smith, both of Elwood; one stepdaughter, Amy Nicole Smith of Corunna; two brothers, Jason Rittenhouse and Rob Rittenhouse, both of Elwood; his maternal grandmother, Jenny Michael; his paternal grandparents, Frank and Dot Rittenhouse of Auburn; his mother-in-law, Genney Hunsberger of Auburn; his father-in-law, James Hunsberger of Auburn; two sisters-in-law, Renee Leeman Jackson of Fishers and Rebecca Leeman Tibbs of Englewood, Ohio; three brothers-in-law, Andy Jones of Auburn, Aaron Leeman of Anderson, and Robert Leeman of Kendallville; a stepgrandfather, Jim Michael; and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

His maternal grandfather, Russell Shanon, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4:30-9 p.m. in Dunnichay Funeral Home, 1113 S. Anderson St., Elwood.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Marvin Hahn officiating. Burial will take place in Aroma Cemetery in Aroma, Ind.

Flossie Bidwell

HUDSON — Flossie Bidwell, 83, of Hudson, died at 12:50 p.m. Sunday in Kingston of Ligonier.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

DeWayne Inlow

ALBION — DeWayne H. Inlow, 48, of Albion, died at 12 a.m. Saturday in Oaks Nursing Home in Columbia City.

He was born Nov. 26, 1949, in Auburn, to Harold R. and Alice (Flowers) Inlow. His father is deceased. His mother and stepfather, Alice and Richard Jackson, survive in LaOtto. On Oct. 23, 1971, in Blue River Church of the Brethren in Churubusco, he married Mary McCoy. She also survives.

Mr. Inlow, a truck driver for Food Marketing for 26 years and a farmer, moved to Albion 26 years ago from LaOtto. He was a member of Burr Oak Baptist Church and Noble County Gas & Steam Association.

Surviving with his wife, mother and stepfather, are a daughter, Julie Inlow, at home; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Andrew Inlow, at home, and Matt and Janika Inlow of Albion; a brother, Michael Inlow of Baltimore, Md.; and a stepsister, Jane Pepple of Auburn.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Burr Oak Baptist Church, Burr Oak, with the Rev. Mark Woods officiating. Burial will be in Merriam Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. today in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, and one hour before services at the church on Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to Burr Oak Baptist Church.

Evening Star, Mon., Aug. 3, 1998 (cont'd)

Margaret Penland

KENDALLVILLE — Margaret Rebecca Penland, 83, died Saturday morning in her Kendallville home.

She worked at General Electric Co., Fort Wayne, beginning in 1945. She also worked 10 years at Steckley's Chicken Farm in Kendallville and six years in the cafeteria at Avilla Elementary School. She was a 1934 graduate of Garrett High School and a member of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, rural Auburn.

Mrs. Penland was born Nov. 25, 1914, in Garrett to the late Ezra and Lillie (Waugh) Sliger.

Surviving her are her husband, Jay; a son and daughter-in-law, Harry and Gayla Penland of Alma, Ga.; a daughter and son-in-law, Ramona and Rodney Jordan of Avilla; three granddaughters, Kris Jacks, and Rachel and Rayanne Jordan; three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Harry, Rabie, Karl and Dave, and three sisters, Velma, Eloise and Lillie.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren by the Rev. Donald Shankster. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or to the East Noble High School band.

Ruth Horst

WHITTIER, Calif. — Ruth Lenore (Groscop) Horst, 84, died July 24 in Whittier, Calif.

She was a 1932 graduate of Auburn High School. She moved to Tulare, Calif., in 1946 and to Fullerton, Calif., in 1948. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Whittier, the Catalina Island Yacht Club and the Long Beach Yacht Club.

She was born April 9, 1914, in Auburn. She married Paul B. Horst of Mission, S.D., on Oct. 28, 1845, in Auburn and he survives.

Also surviving are one son, David, of Whittier; one brother, Charles Groscop of Auburn, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service took place July 29 in Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Custer Christiansen Mortuary, West Covina, Calif., was in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Robin Allman Fisher**, 47, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Fishers United Methodist Church, Fishers. Calling 4-8 p.m. today in Shirley Brothers Castleton Chapel, Indianapolis.

CROMWELL — **Terry Smith**, 23, died Saturday in an auto accident. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Shiloh Baptist Church, Ligonier, with calling there after 2 p.m. today. Prayer services at 7 p.m.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Russell B. Snodgrass**, 84, died Thursday. Services were today in Columbia City.

Deaths/Funerals

George Cameron

HAMILTON — George A. "Bert" Cameron, 76, died Sunday evening in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne, following an extended illness.

He was a longtime Montpelier, Ohio, resident and had lived in Hamilton since 1977.

He was a 1939 graduate of Montpelier High School and attended Bowling Green State University. He was a graduate of the Indiana College of Mortuary Science, and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy. He retired in 1976 after 20 years as a Prudential Insurance Co. representative in the Montpelier and Edon, Ohio, areas.

Mr. Cameron was born Nov. 20, 1921, in Montpelier to the late Grace (Needham) and George Albert Cameron.

Surviving him are his wife, Mary, of Wolcottville; his former wife and mother of his children, Shirley Cameron, of Fort Wayne; two sons, James W. of Perrysburg, Ohio, and John W. of Sylvania, Ohio; one daughter, Julie W. Cameron of Fort Wayne; four stepdaughters, Karen Palumbo and Beth Smith, both of Auburn, and Ann and Susan Huguenard, both of Indianapolis; one sister, Betty Murrill of Orange, Calif.; four grandchildren and seven stepgrandchildren.

Friends may call Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Thompson Funeral Home, Montpelier.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dave Tilly officiating. Burial will take place in Riverside Cemetery, Montpelier.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Society or Cancer Assistance of Williams County.

Scott Beatty

MONTPELIER, Ohio — Scott O. Beatty, 25, died Sunday at 12:40 p.m. in Community Hospital of Williams County-Montpelier, shortly after being injured in an automobile accident in Kunkle, Ohio.

Mr. Beatty had attended Montpelier High School and was presently employed with Fleetwood Industries in Edgerton, Ohio. He was a member of the Montpelier Eagles lodge.

He was born Dec. 29, 1972, in Montpelier. His mother, Sharon D. (Mills) DeWitt, survives in Montpelier and his father, William Beatty Sr., survives in Butler.

Also surviving are one son, Darren, at home; two daughters, Kay and Sierra, both at home; two brothers, James Hickman of Alvordton, Ohio, and William Beatty Jr. of Montpelier; four sisters, Linda Muehlfeld of Edon, Ohio, Jean Parker and Joy DeWitt, both of Montpelier, and Kim Henke of Bryan, Ohio; and his maternal grandparents, Don and Maude Lyons of Angola.

Friends may call today from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Thompson Funeral Home, Montpelier.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with Dr. Jan L. Garber officiating. Burial will take place in Riverside Cemetery, Montpelier.

Memorial donations may be made to the family in care of Linda Muehlfeld.

Russell Rittenhouse

CORUNNA — Russell Lee Rittenhouse, 24, died Saturday in an automobile accident in DeKalb County.

He had attended Elwood Community High School and was employed at Dalton Corp. in Kendallville as a fork lift operator. He lived on South Street in Corunna.

Mr. Rittenhouse was born Feb. 9, 1974, in Elwood to Bob and Susie Rittenhouse. They survive in Elwood.

He married Amy Leeman on July 15, 1995, and she survives.

Also surviving are two stepsons, Chris Smith and Jason Smith, both of Elwood; one stepdaughter, Amy Nicole Smith of Corunna; two brothers, Jayson Rittenhouse and Rob Rittenhouse, both of Elwood; his maternal grandmother, Jenny Michael; his paternal grandparents, Frank and Dot Rittenhouse of Auburn; his mother-in-law, Genney Hunsberger of Auburn; his father-in-law, James Hunsberger of Auburn; two sisters-in-law, Renee Leeman Jackson of Fishers and Rebecca Leeman Tibbs of Englewood, Ohio; three brothers-in-law, Andy Jones of Auburn, Aaron Leeman of Anderson, and Robert Leeman of Kendallville; a stepgrandfather, Jim Michael; and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

His maternal grandfather, Russell Shanon, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 4:30-9 p.m. in Dunnichay Funeral Home, 1113 S. Anderson St., Elwood.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Marvin Hahn officiating. Burial will take place in Aroma Cemetery in Aroma, Ind.

Evening Star, Ftwn., Aug. 4, 1998 (cont'd)

Mary Walcutt

ANGOLA — Mary Ella Walcutt, 81, of Angola, died Monday at 3:50 a.m. at her home.

Mrs. Walcutt, a homemaker, was a former member of the Pleasant Lake Order of the Eastern Star.

She was born June 25, 1917, in Detroit to the late Charles and Clio Mabel (Miller) Book.

On Feb. 14, 1937, she married James A. Walcutt, who preceded her in death on Jan. 29.

Surviving are three sons, Jack Walcutt of Huntertown, James Walcutt of Churubusco, and Jerry Walcutt of Angola; three daughters, Judy Oliver of Fort Wayne, Sue Alford of Angola, and Melanie Pardue of Angola; a stepsister, JoAnn Larrabee of Columbia, S.C.; 18 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a grandchild, Ricky M. Pardue; a brother, Charles Book; and a sister, Nedra Miller.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with the Rev. James Butler officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola United Methodist Church, Salem Center Fire Department or McCray Hospice.

Flossie Bidwell

HELMER — Flossie E. Bidwell, 83, of Helmer, died at 12:50 p.m. Sunday in Kingston of Ligonier.

She was born in Lima, Ohio, Aug. 12, 1914, to Daniel and Pearl (Sellers) Mohler. On Sept. 2, 1935, in Columbia City, she married LaOmer "Tim" Bidwell. He survives.

Mrs. Bidwell, a 1932 graduate of Ligonier High School, had lived in Rome City before moving to Helmer in 1942. She was a homemaker and formerly a member of Hudson Order of the Eastern Star.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Sue Root of Elkhart and Muriel Bidwell of Helmer; a sister, Nellie Hammond of North Webster; a brother, Clyde Mohler of Harbor Springs, Mich.; and two grandchildren, Tim Root of Seattle, Wash., and Katie Root of Elkhart.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson, with the Rev. Willard Sanders officiating. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery, Wolcottville.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders.

The Evening Star, Wed., Aug. 5, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Kenneth Means

AUBURN — Kenneth R. Means, 80, died today at 2:29 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He retired from Dana Corp. at Auburn in 1975 as a general foreman with 34 years of service. He lived on West Sixteenth Street in Auburn, and was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Auburn, Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, and Elks Lodge 1978 and Order of the Eastern Star Lodge 103, both in Auburn. He was a member and past master of DeKalb Masonic Lodge 214. He was a 50-year member of Auburn Moose Lodge 566 and was a member of the Legion of the Moose.

Mr. Means was born Feb. 5, 1918, in Allen County to the late Ray and Victoria (Wilmot) Means.

He married Mary Schuster on June 14, 1939, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one brother, Gerald of Harris, Tenn.; and several nieces and nephews.

Two brothers, Howard and Maynard, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. The Auburn Moose Lodge will conduct a memorial service Thursday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Mark's Lutheran Church or the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Delbert Shough

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Delbert G. Shough, 78, died Tuesday at 5 a.m. in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne, where he was a patient for four days.

He was a resident of The Laurels of DeKalb in Butler for the past two years, and formerly lived in Hicksville.

He graduated from Tiffin High School in the class of 1938. He retired from General Electric Co., Fort Wayne, in 1982 after 40 years of service and was also a farmer for many years. He was a past member of Grace United Methodist Church, Hicksville, and currently a member of Butler United Methodist Church. He was a past member of the Hicksville Village Players and a member of the Fraternal Order of Police for 10 years.

Mr. Shough was born March 12, 1920, in Evansport, Ohio, to the late Henry and Leslie (Signs) Shough.

He married Ila Rose Breininger on June 14, 1942, in Mark Center, Ohio, and she died July 4, 1996.

Surviving him are one daughter, Rosemary Hull of Butler; two sons, Allen Shough of Butler and George Shough of Mark Center; three sisters, Mildred Partee of Bryan, Ohio, Donna Ve Oberlin of Montpelier, Ohio, and Wilda Mae Hawkins of Clinton, Mich.; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One brother, Richard Shough, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today after 6 p.m., Thursday after 1 p.m. and Friday after 8 a.m. (Indiana times) at Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home. Pastor Dennis D. Leinbach of the Butler United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Butler United Methodist Church or St. Joe Medical Center Pastoral Care, Dept. 700 Broadway, Fort Wayne IN 46802.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Paul Ledger**, 79, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Natalia Ibanez Montoya**, 20, died at 9:40 a.m. Monday. No local funeral services. Visitation on Saturday from 6-9 p.m. in Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange.

Deaths/Funerals

Madge Howey

SPENCERVILLE — Madge Howey, 75, died Wednesday at 6:55 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She retired from DeKalb Memorial Hospital as a dietary supervisor and was a member of the Leo United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Howey was born Aug. 14, 1922, in Tacoma, Wash., to the late Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cornell.

She married Richard F. Howey on Nov. 28, 1942, in Leo, and he died Nov. 22, 1994.

Surviving her are two sons, Thomas J. and Timothy, both of Spencerville; two daughters, Barbara Gongaware of New Haven and Teresa Ward of Huntertown; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-8 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Her funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Leo United Methodist Church, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Jean Brindel will officiate. Burial will be in Leo Memorial Park Cemetery, Leo-Cedarville, with no graveside service.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Helen Riopelle

FREMONT — Helen May Riopelle, 58, of Long Beach Lake, Fremont, died Monday at her residence.

Mrs. Riopelle was a resident of Jonesville, Mich., for many years.

She was born Sept. 7, 1939, in Hudson, Mich., to the late Arthur and Cecelia (Wickenheiser) Schoch.

Surviving are a son, Ed (and wife, Elaine) Riopelle of Summersville, S.C.; and a brother, Vern (and wife, Loretta) Schoch of Detroit.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Riopelle, on July 26, 1977.

Friends may call from 5-7 p.m. (Indiana time) Friday at Eagle Funeral Home, Jonesville.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. Mark Johnson officiating. Burial will be in Sunset View Cemetery, Jonesville.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude's Hospital.

Leon Haskins

HAMILTON — Leon B. Haskins, 99, died Wednesday at 4:15 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home of Auburn.

He managed the Standard Oil station in Hamilton for 16 years, retiring in 1960. He formerly lived on South Wayne Street in Hamilton.

Mr. Haskins was born Nov. 22, 1898, in Salem Center to the late Willis and Emma (Bickel) Haskins.

He married Caro Harger on Feb. 1, 1919, in Angola, and she died June 16, 1993. They were married 74 years.

Surviving are two sons, LaMar of Okeechobee, Fla., and George of Hamilton; five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

One sister, Pauline Munger, and one brother, Ned, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 6-8:30 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Edwin Clark of the Hamilton United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Clara B. Bowling**, 88, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling from 5-8 p.m. Friday and two hours before services on Saturday.

HOWE — **Roger D. Damer**, 80, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Brighton Chapel Church, Brighton, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., Aug. 7, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Emmett Bowie

COLUMBIA CITY — Emmett G. Bowie, 86, died Wednesday at 9:20 p.m. in Whitley Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since July 30.

He was a self-employed contractor for many years and lived in Columbia City. He graduated with the class of 1932 from Columbia City High School. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and trapper, and active in the Whitley County baseball program. He was a member of Indiana State Trappers Association, National Trappers Association, Whitley County Fox and Coon Hunters Association and Fur Takers of America.

Mr. Bowie was born Jan. 1, 1912, in Carroll County, the only child of Lewis Wint and Hazel R. (Garrison) Bowie.

He married Huldah F. Ramsey on April 5, 1937, and she died Aug. 3, 1993.

Surviving him are one son, Lewis "Bud" Bowie of Columbia City; nine daughters, Ruth Ann Davis of Hamilton, Joan K Harrigan of Munster, Judith G. Tarlton of Fort Wayne, Adele L. Rouch and Debora E. Rex, both of Columbia City, Berniece White of LaOtto, Rebecca P. Bowie of Fort Wayne, Susan L. Wolfe of Placerville, Calif., and Laura J. Keener of Waterloo; 23 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home by Pastor Craig Myers of Blue River Church of the Brethren. Burial will take place in South Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Whitley Memorial Hospital Foundation.

Jay Penland Jr.

KENDALLVILLE — Jay Almond Penland Jr., 80, died at 12:05 a.m. today in his Kendallville home.

Mr. Penland retired from Kraft Foods in Kendallville after 30 years of service and farmed part-time for 38 years. He was a sergeant in the U.S. Army, serving in World War II, and was a member of the Auburn Kiwanis Club and the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

He was born May 25, 1918, in Garrett, to Jay and Gladys (Olinger) Penland.

On Dec. 16, 1942, he married Margaret Rebecca Sliger. She died Aug. 1, 1998.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Harry and Gayla Penland of Alma, Ga.; a daughter and son-in-law, Ramonna and Rodney Jordan of Avilla; two sisters, MaDonna Erickson of Bloomington, Ill., and Norma Anglemeyer of Goshen; four grandchildren, Toan Tran Thanh, Kris Jacks, and Rachel and Rayanne Jordan; three stepgrandchildren, David, William and Daniel Harper; three great-grandchildren and 10 stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Basil, Jack, Olan and Allen, and five sisters, Lavon Boyd, DeRoyal Bailey, and Helen, Delilah and June Penland.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m., at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Monday at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, rural Auburn.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Auburn Kiwanis Club or the church.

Ruby Schlichtenmyer

KENDALLVILLE — Ruby I. Schlichtenmyer, 95, of Kendallville, died at 12:20 a.m. today in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home where she had resided the past 2 1/2 years. She had been in failing health the past four years.

She was born April 15, 1903, at Fairfield Center to John T. and Laura B. (Hovarter) Bower. Her parents, John Bower and Laura Hovarter Bower Pease, preceded her in death. On Dec. 2, 1919, in Churubusco, she married George W. Schlichtenmyer. He preceded her in death May 14, 1965.

Mrs. Schlichtenmyer, a lifetime area resident, was a homemaker and a member of the Brethren Church in Corunna and the Ben Hur Society.

Surviving are a daughter, Virginia Rittermeyer of Bradenton, Fla.; a son, Jack Schlichtenmyer of Salem; seven grandchildren, Linda Heller, Jan Leighty, John Schlichtenmyer and Jerry Schlichtenmyer, all of Kendallville, Kay Krull of Bradenton, Emily Schlichtenmyer of Salem and Judy Bramson; 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sons, Richard, Robert and Max Schlichtenmyer.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Dr. Daniel Barker officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Evening Star, Fri, Aug. 7, 1998 (cont'd)

Walter 'Joe' Harter

FORT WAYNE — Walter "Joe" Harter, 67, died Wednesday at his Fort Wayne residence.

A retired plumber, he was born in DeKalb County on March 31, 1931. He was a member of the Fairview Church of God, Yoder, and the Old Fort Motorcycle Club, Fort Wayne.

He is survived by his wife, L. Rosella Harter of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Debra Dorcey and Becky Aiken, both of Fort Wayne; three sisters, Shirley Scott of Butler, Marilyn Johnston of Waterloo and Wilma Dilgard of Van Buren, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Jody Baker, who died in 1982.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Fairview Church of God.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the Elzey & Haggard Funeral Home, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne, or one hour prior to funeral services Sunday at the church.

Burial will be in Prairie Grove Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fairview Church of God, Yoder.

Elizabeth Trumbull

BRYAN, Ohio — Elizabeth May Trumbull, 85, died Wednesday night in her residence on South Beech Street.

She was an auxiliary member and a charter member of the Bryan Eagles Lodge, and a member of the Butler Eagles Lodge, REAC Auxiliary and St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Butler.

Mrs. Trumbull was born Jan. 17, 1813 to the late Boyd D. and Eva (Hickman) Blain. She married Lester Sidle on Sept. 21, 1938, and he died in 1962. She then married Robert H. Trumbull on Aug. 31, 1972, and he died in 1991.

Surviving her are one son, David L. Sidle Sr. of Bryan; one stepson, Ray Sidle of Montpelier, Ohio; one stepdaughter, Vicki Whitehurst of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Mary; a brother, Carroll; and a grandson, Shannon Lynn Sidle.

Friends may call today from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. (Indiana times) in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Bryan.

Services will take place Saturday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with the Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Mark's Lutheran Church or Community Hospitals of Williams County-Hospice Program.

Deaths/Funerals

Anna Tittle

AUBURN — Anna M. Tittle, 71, of Auburn, died Friday morning in her home.

Mrs. Tittle was a former employee of Graber Homes in Auburn. She was a member of the Auburn Moose.

She was born Sept. 6, 1926, in Indianapolis, to Virgil and Alta (Brickert) Smith, both deceased. On March 23, 1946, she married George F. Tittle Sr. He preceded her in death on April 10, 1986.

Also preceding her in death are two brothers and four sisters.

Mrs. Tittle is survived by two daughters, Trisha Vogel of Garrett and Sandy Way of North Muskegon, Mich.; four sons, Mike of Auburn, Ed of Auburn, Bill of Garrett and Bob of Fort Wayne; one sister, Ruth Rankin of Indianapolis, and nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Visitation is from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Sylvia Alleshouse

ORLAND — Sylvia V. Alleshouse, 92, of Angola, died at 8 p.m. Thursday in Carlin Park Healthcare, Angola.

Ms. Alleshouse lived most of her life in Orland and Howe in LaGrange County. She was a homemaker and a member of Brighton Chapel Church in Brighton.

She was born in Orland Feb. 6, 1906, to Daniel and Elizabeth (Feller) Alleshouse, both deceased.

Ms. Alleshouse is survived by nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Florence Dunkel and Marie Fennel; and three brothers, Kenneth Alleshouse, Herschel Alleshouse and Weldon Alleshouse.

Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Brighton Chapel Church, with the Rev. George Youstra officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

Visitation is from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Sunday at the church.

Preferred memorials are to Brighton Chapel Church.

Father James Koons

AVILLA — The Rev. James W. Koons, 41, a native son of St. Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church, Avilla, known for his charitable service to the ill and needy of Fort Wayne's inner city, died at 11:45 a.m. Thursday at St. Patrick's Catholic Rectory in Fort Wayne.

Born in Garrett, June 16, 1957, he was the son of James L. and Dorothy M. (Finney) Koons of Avilla.

His father is a retired Avilla grocer and longtime chairman of the Noble County Democratic Central Committee. His mother is a retired East Noble High School home economics teacher.

He is also survived by a sister, Ann Koons, of Chicago, Ill.

Father Koons attended St. Mary's Catholic Elementary School, Avilla; the Avilla Middle School; and graduated from East Noble High School in 1975. He earned a degree from St. Pius Seminary, Erlanger, Ky., where he majored in philosophy.

In 1983, after four years of study at the Vatican in Rome, he received a degree from the North American College. He was honored by participating in a Easter Vigil Mass at St. Peter's Basilica with Pope John Paul II that same year.

He was ordained a Roman Catholic priest on July 16, 1983, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, by the late Bishop William E. McManus. He conducted his first Mass at St. Mary's parish in Avilla on Sunday, July 17, 1983.

He served his first four years of parish work at St. Charles Catholic Church, Fort Wayne. He was chaplain at Bishop Dwenger High School for two years and was parish priest at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Arcola, for one year.

Later he served the dual parishes of St. Paul's and St. Patrick's Catholic churches, Fort Wayne, for two years. He was assigned to St. Patrick's as priest his final six years.

While at St. Patrick's, a century-old parish with 1,100 members, Father Koons founded St. Patrick's Closet, which provides clothing for needy people in the community. He assisted with the church's food bank and opened a free medical clinic for those who couldn't afford conventional care.

He served as a board member of the AIDS Task Force of Northeastern Indiana, and ministered to those living with AIDS and their loved ones.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 2120 S. Harrison St., Fort Wayne, at 7 p.m. Monday.

Visitation will be at St. Patrick's on Sunday from noon until 9 p.m. The Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m.

Visitation will also be at the church Monday from 10 a.m. until the time of the Mass.

Burial will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Avilla.

Preferred memorials are to St. Patrick's Social Action Fund or St. Patrick's Memorial Garden.

Deaths/Funerals

Chalmer Carper

AUBURN — Chalmer L. Carper, 80, died Saturday in Auburn Health Care Center, Auburn.

An Auburn native, he retired in 1983 with 36 years of service as an engineer at Dana Corp., Fort Wayne.

Surviving him are his wife, Thelma of Auburn; one daughter, Lisa Bowser of Auburn; four grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

One daughter, Lana Carper Yarian, preceded him in death.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with calling after 10 a.m. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Agnes Czaja

BUTLER — Agnes Louise Czaja, 70, died Saturday at 10 p.m. in her Butler home.

Mrs. Czaja had been a factory worker at Marshall Clothing and a Butler area resident for 37 years. She was a member of Butler American Legion Post 202 Ladies Auxiliary, St. Mary's Catholic Church, and Butler Eagles Lodge.

She was born Nov. 23, 1927, in Plymouth, Pa., to the late Samuel and Mae (Wilson) Shonk.

She married Thaddeus F. "Ted" Czaja on Oct. 5, 1945, in Kingston, Pa. He died May 27, 1993.

Surviving her are three sons, Ronald of Auburn, and Joseph and Lawrence, both of Butler; one brother, Sam Shonk of Pittston, Pa.; and nine grandchildren.

One son, Thaddeus "Ted" Czaja, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler. A rosary service will be held Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Edgerton, Ohio, with Father Thomas Oedy officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Richard Smith

WATERLOO — Richard J. Smith, 82, died Saturday at 7:02 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He retired from Dana Corp., Auburn, in 1978 with 18 years of service. He was also a lifetime Grant Township farmer. He attended the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene.

He was a member of the Auburn Classic Horseshoe Club and was a past senior division world champion horseshoe pitcher.

Mr. Smith was born Sept. 22, 1915, in Allen County to the late Jacob and Lillian E. (Vachon) Smith.

He married Opal Poorman on Feb. 27, 1938, in the Evangelical Church in Waterloo, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Sharon Bullock of Waterloo; four sons, Richard A., Dennis S., Stanley S., and C. Noel, all of Waterloo; three sisters, June Gafken and Georgia Muzzillo, both of Auburn, and Velma Davis of Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Harold, Charles, Virgil and Alvie; two sisters, Mary Hanes and Edna Murphy; and one grandson, Michael Carper.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Rick G. Rigney and the Rev. Clair Immel officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene.

Perry Miller

LEO — Perry E. Miller, 77, died Sunday morning in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was a retired farmer and owner of Perry Miller Concrete until 1991, when he retired. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of North Leo Mennonite Church.

Mr. Miller was born June 26, 1921, in Midland, Mich., to the late Menno E.J. and Amanda (Bontrager) Miller.

He married Mary M. Witmer on Jan,. 31, 1954, in Harlan, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Herbert A. and Dennis L., both of Leo; two daughters, Margaret A. Slone and Cindy K. Rogers, both of Auburn; four sisters, Edna Byler of The Woodlands, Texas, Irene Lengacher of New Haven, Mary Alice Hilty of Woodburn, and Margaret Steury of Grabill; 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One brother, Joe, and two sisters, Edith Graber and Annie Miller, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-9 in North Leo Mennonite Church.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the church, with the Rev. Brooks Fetters officiating. Burial will take place in Schlatter Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of arrangements.

Evening Star, Mon. Aug. 10, 1998 (cont'd)

Lisa Treckman

AUBURN — Lisa D. (Galusha) Treckman, 24, died Friday in Steuben County.

She had been the office manager for Coldwell Banker Graber Realtors in Auburn for one year.

She was born in Tulsa, Okla., to Gary and Alice Galusha. They survive in Hudsonville, Mich.

Also surviving are her husband, Scott Treckman of Auburn; a daughter, Alexandria "Lexie" Treckman of Auburn; two sisters, Michelle Stonebrook of Holland, Mich., and Rebecca Peterson of Osceola; and a grandmother, Nell Moore of Tulsa, Okla.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Mark Zroegop officiating. Burial will take place Thursday at 3 p.m. in Michigan.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Alexandria "Lexie" Treckman Higher Education Fund.

Larry Welker

BUTLER — Larry Michael "Mike" Welker, 60, died Sunday at 3:17 p.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing center in Butler.

He was a tool-and-die maker for Rods of Indiana in Butler for 33 years.

Mr. Welker was born Oct. 9, 1937, in Evansport, Ohio, to the late Frank and Blanche Welker.

Surviving him are one son, Kevin Welker of Butler, and one son and daughter-in-law, Kirby and Mary Welker of Butler; two sisters, Norma Rude of Cecil, Ohio, and Betty Smith of Defiance, Ohio; and four grandchildren, Jason and Heather Welker of Hamilton, and Kylie and Taylor Welker of Butler.

One son, Kurtis, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

Jack Kelly

ANGOLA — Jack E. Kelly, 87, of Angola, died Saturday at 8:15 p.m. at Veterans Administration Northern Indiana Health Care Systems, Fort Wayne.

A veteran of World War II, Mr. Kelly had worked as a pipe fitter for 17 years for the Chrysler Corp. in Detroit. He also worked for a dry cleaning company in Detroit.

He was born June 17, 1911, in Coleman, Mich., to the late John and Rose (Elvin) Kelly.

In 1942, he married Eleanor (Surmen) Kelly, who preceded him in death in 1963. He also was preceded in death by a brother, Clarence Kelly, and a sister, Rhea O'Hara.

Surviving are a daughter, Suzanne Norton of Angola; a stepdaughter, Janice Turo of New Haven, Mich.; two sisters, Marion Johnson of Grand Blanc, Mich., and Elizabeth Sack of Angola; a granddaughter, Darlene Harmen of Florida; and nine stepgrandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Steuben County. Military graveside services will be conducted by American Legion Post 31, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the family.

John Welch

EDON, Ohio — John J. Welch, 63, of Edon, died Friday at 8:46 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Welch worked as a security guard. He was a veteran of the Korean War,

He was born Oct. 17, 1934, in Webster City, Iowa, to the late Ilo and Ida (Williamson) Welch.

Surviving are a daughter, Ronda Welch of Angola; a son, Steve Welch of Montpelier, Ohio; four grandchildren; and a brother, Ronald Welch of Long Beach, Calif.

Friends may call from 6-8 tonight at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Donald Harris officiating. Burial will be in Edon Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to diabetes research.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Charles E. "Pinky" Bridegan Sr.**, 72, died Friday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

KENDALLVILLE — **Thaddeus A. Berkes**, 86, died Saturday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there from 11 a.m. until services.

KENDALLVILLE — **Rose C. Tartter**, 98, died Sunday. Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, with calling there two hours before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Alice Winkler**, 78, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., Aug. 11, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

SYRACUSE — **Harold T. O'Dell**, 69, died Sunday. Services at 3 p.m. Wednesday in New Salem Church of the Brethren, Milford, with calling after 1 p.m. Wednesday.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Robert L. Young**, 74, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church, Woodruff. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

The Evening Star, Wed., Aug. 12, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Wilma Reiff

FREMONT — Wilma E. Reiff, 81, of Lake George, died Monday at 9:40 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A homemaker, she was born June 1, 1917, in Fort Wayne to the late Fred and Wilhelmia (Rabbe) Bleke.

On Dec. 30, 1939, she married Lyle Reiff, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Lyle Reiff II of Alameda, Calif.; three daughters, Diane L. (and husband, Joseph) Clendenin of Santa Rosa, Calif., Jody DuBois of Fremont; and Connie Jean Parrott of Overland, Kan.; a sister, Elsie M. Schmidt of Fort Wayne; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Lake George Lutheran Church with the Rev. Robert Fischer officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the Lake George Lutheran Church or the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center.

Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Aug. 13, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Jack Hicks

CORUNNA — Jack R. Hicks, 61, died Wednesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. He had been in failing health for six weeks.

He was born April 4, 1937 in Jolo, W.Va., to Samuel and Rhoda (Ramey) Hicks. On Nov. 19, 1968, in Rome City, he married Mary (Miller) DePew, who survives.

The field engineer for MCI Telecommunications was also a self-employed contractor and a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall of Kendallville.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Ralph DePew of Corunna and Steve DePew of Kendallville; three brothers, Hance Hicks of Kendallville, Axley "Tootie" Hicks of Garrett and Leon Hicks of Kendallville; seven sisters, Louise Mullins of Raysal, W.Va., Fristeen Handshoe of Tennessee, Faye Centers of Ohio, Roxie Probst and Barbara Wells, both of Kendallville, Peggy Bolen of Monroe, Va., and Bonnie DePew of Corunna; nine grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Don Weimer officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery, Corunna.

Calling will be from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Howard Beard

ANGOLA — Howard E. Beard, 75, of Angola, died Tuesday at 10:09 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Beard worked for Metal Spinners of Angola and as a farmer. He was a 4-H Leader, a member of the Farm Bureau Board, and a member of North Scott Church and the Lions Club.

He was born Oct. 11, 1922, in Scott Township to the late Shirley and Fern (Brown) Beard.

On Feb. 14, 1944, he married his wife of 54 years, Rosalind (Covell) Beard, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a daughter, Renee (and husband, Robert) Preniczny of South Bend; three sons, Kedric (and wife, Laurie) Beard of Angola, Kevin (and wife, Janelle) Beard of Angola, and Michael (and wife, Sharon) Beard of Holdrege, Neb.; a sister, Martha Huss of Angola; 12 grandchildren; and a daughter-in-law, Jenny Beard of St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by a son, Phillip, in 1989, and a daughter, Kristi, in 1969.

Friends may call Friday from 4-8:30 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. James Hulbert officiating. Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to North Scott Church or the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center.

The Evening Star, Fri., Aug. 14, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Donald Winebrenner

GARRETT — Donald H. Winebrenner, 71, died Thursday at 10:05 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mr. Winebrenner was a draftsman for Indiana & Michigan Power Co., retiring in 1989 with 38 years of service. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He lived on South Ijams Street in Garrett and was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church and American Legion Post 178 in Garrett.

He was born June 29, 1927, in Garrett to the late C. Edison and Stella W. (Hartman) Winebrenner.

He married Eunice Joyce Bonnell on July 3, 1950, in Fort Wayne, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Donna J. O'Dell of Auburn; one son and daughter-in-law, Gerald E. and Debra J. Winebrenner of Janesville, Wis.; one brother and sister-in-law, Robert E. and Mary June Winebrenner of Garrett; and four grandchildren, Sean and Shannon O'Dell, both of Auburn, and Christian and Jeremiah Winebrenner, both of Janesville.

Friends may call Saturday from 5-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. Lloyd Turnbull will officiate. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Stroke Support Group, 2622 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne, or the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Ned Weihmiller

KENDALLVILLE — Ned E. Weihmiller, 83, of Kendallville, died at 9:15 a.m. Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital.

Weihmiller

He was born Aug. 20, 1914, in Garrett, to John R. and Nellie (Freesh) Weihmiller. He married Mary D. Swogger March 1, 1936, in Kendallville. She survives.

Mr. Weihmiller was a 1933 graduate of Kendallville High School and was a farmer and vice president of Albion Production Credit Association in Albion before his retirement in 1979. He was a member of Wayne Center United Methodist Church, Kendallville, and had served in many offices of the church.

He was a member of Noble Chain Links, a camping club and was a member of the barbershop quartet, the Kendall Kords. He was also a life member of the Farm Bureau.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Bill Evans of Fort Wayne; a son and daughter-in-law, John and Sara Weihmiller of Garrett; and five grandchildren, Jill Evans of Milwaukee, Wis., and Andrew Weihmiller and Daniel Weihmiller, both of Indianapolis, Jennifer Speciale of Fort Wayne, and Gail Scheurich of Kendallville.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gale Dean Weihmiller, and a sister, Harriet Spurgeon.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Richard Lyth officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Wayne Center United Methodist Church building fund.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Darrel R. "Shorty" Ford**, 61; died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe, with calling there 4-8 p.m. today.

KENDALLVILLE — **Ned E. Weihmiller**, 83, died Thursday. Funeral services are pending at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

WAWAKA — **Mabel E. Vanette**, 77, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

SYRACUSE — **June E. Cripe**, 79, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, with calling there 2-5 p.m. today and one hour before services on Saturday.

The Evening Star, Sat., Aug. 15, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Audrey Hickman

GARRETT — Audrey I. Hickman, 91, of Garrett, died Thursday at 8:04 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She worked at the DeKalb County Advertiser for 15 years and then worked at Sacred Heart Hospital in the diet kitchen from 1963 to 1973 before she retired. She was a member of the First Church of Christ.

She was born Jan. 8, 1907, in Auburn, to William and Estella (Kraft) Shoudel, both now deceased.

On May 31, 1928, she married Ralph M. Hickman in Garrett. He died in 1961.

She is survived by a sister-in-law, Eva Reffner of Garrett; four grandchildren, Cynthia Cannon of St. Charles, Ill., Belinda Johnston of Elgin, Ill., Jeffrey Hickman of Champaign, Ill., and Melissa Hickman of Lake In The Hills, Ill.; a brother, John Shoudel of Auburn; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Jacques Hickman, who died Jan. 15, 1998, and a sister, Harriett Woodcok.

Funeral services will take place Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, with Lloyd Mealer, pastor of the First Church of Christ, officiating.

Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Church of Christ or Miller's Merry Manor.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Linda P. Hodge**, 49, died Friday at 4:20 p.m. at her home in Kendallville after suffering from cancer for 10 years. Friends may call Monday from 2 to 8 p.m. at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville, and Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Little Flossie Baptist Church in Lisbon. Services will at the church Tuesday at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Russell Hicks and Rev. Morris Wicker officiating. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery.

Deaths/Funerals

Joseph Newbauer

GARRETT — Joseph J. Newbauer, 78, of Garrett, died Saturday at 12:29 p.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Newbauer had worked 43 years for the B&O Railroad, retiring in 1979 as a road foreman of engines.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church of Garrett and the Garrett Eagles lodge. He was a lifetime member of the Garrett posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and the president of the 389th Field Artillery Battalion, 97th Infantry Division Association. As the president of the organization, he placed a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown in Arlington, Va.

He was born Oct. 6, 1919 in Garrett to Joseph T. and Carrie (Schultess) Newbauer, both now deceased.

He married Phyllis J. Postema on Nov. 23, 1974, in Gaylord, Mich. She survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are two daughters, Marilyn Culler of Garrett and Karen Jo Renner of Fort Wayne; two sons, Joe of Saginaw, Mich., and Tom of Indianapolis; two stepdaughters, Pamula Postema of Mansfield, Ohio, and Peggy Moore of The Netherlands; two stepsons, Robert Eyler and Todd Postema, both of Las Vegas, Nev.; six grandchildren, seven stepgrandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and a sister, Kathryn Rex of Garrett.

A half-brother, Melvin Showers, and a half-sister, Thelma Matyjasik, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett. Father Thom Lombardi, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett, with graveside services by the Garrett posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, and Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. at the church. A wake service will take place Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Evelyn DeWeese

BUTLER — Evelyn DeWeese, 90, died Saturday at 7:23 p.m. in Hicksville, Ohio.

She was a factory worker at General Electric in Tell City, Ind., for 22 years, retiring in 1972. She had been a Butler resident for the past 20 years.

She was born April 2, 1908, in Warrick, Ind., to Lewis Augustus James and Sarah Louise (Miller) James, both now deceased.

She married Estill Clay DeWeese on Oct. 14, 1926, in Rockport, Ind. He preceded her in death.

Surviving are a son, Charles Clay DeWeese of Butler, and a daughter, Alice Virginia Baldwin of Butler.

Services will take place Wednesday at 2 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler. The Rev. Paul Patton will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Butler Church of the Nazarene.

Sharon Obendorf

BUTLER — Sharon Ann Obendorf, 60, died Saturday at 2:22 p.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home. She had lived in the area for many years.

She was born June 16, 1938, in Wilmington Township, near Butler, to the late Frank L. and Ethel M. (Green) Obendorf.

Surviving her are four brothers, Russell E., Allen L. and Richard L., all of Butler, and Robert E. of Auburn; and three sisters, Ruby Gruver of Edgerton, Ohio, and Helen Whitman and Dorothy E. Grubb, both of Auburn.

Services were conducted today at 2 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, rural Butler.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Esther Baumgardner

GARRETT — Esther M. Baumgardner, 85, died Sunday in Merrillville.

Mrs. Baumgardner was a registered nurse and a former member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett.

She was born Aug. 12, 1913, in Texas to Alton and Magdeline (Kell) Harding, both now deceased. Her husband, Nolan Baumgardner, also preceded her in death.

Surviving are a son, Robert, of Hobart; a granddaughter, Cheryl Zubel, of Merrillville; a grandson, Mark Baumgardner, of Crown Point; and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Lloyd Mealer, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Keanna Bennett

ANGOLA — Keanna Leshea Bennett was stillborn Wednesday at 3:49 p.m. at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Surviving are her parents, Timothy Bennett and Lisa Green, of Angola; her grandparents, Donna Nystrom of Boulder, Wyo., David Green of Horton, Mich., and Cecil and Bobby Bennett of Niles, Mich.; and her great-grandparents, Don Dunkel of Brooklyn, Mich., and Marilyn Green of Horton, Mich.

Services were conducted Sunday in the Wells Theater in Taylor Hall at Tri-State University. Cremation was at the Northern Indiana Crematory, Fort Wayne. Arrangements were made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola

266

Evening Star, Mon., Aug. 17, 1998

Area Deaths

KIMMELL — **Donald I. Edsall**, 38, died at 9 p.m. Friday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. today.

TOPEKA — **Mary Bontrager**, 63, died at 8:12 a.m. Sunday. Services at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Bontrager home, 5660S — 500W, Topeka, with calling there after 4 p.m. today and all day Tuesday.

ROME CITY — **Ralph E. Witham**, 59, died Sunday. Graveside services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Orange Cemetery, Rome City. Calling 3-8 p.m. Tuesday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville.

DECATUR — **Dina Starr Girod Craft**, 32, died Friday. Services were today in Decatur.

COLUMBIA CITY — **A. Kathern Cummings**, 90, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling 5-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour before services on Wednesday.

SYRACUSE — **Audrey Carson Raspiller**, 66, died Tuesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 22 in the family residence in Syracuse. No calling.

The Evening Star, Tues., Aug. 18, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Margaret Jarnagin

AUBURN — Margaret E. Jarnagin, 71, died Monday at 6 a.m. in her home on Ontario Lane, Auburn. She was a homemaker.

She was born March 3, 1927, in Harriman, Tenn., to the late Joe E. and Julie (Pressley) Isham.

Surviving her are five sons, Gary, Harold, Terry, Mitchell, and Tim, all of Auburn; two daughters, Julie Hoffman and Berniece Steller, both of Auburn; 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

One daughter, Beverly Darlene, two brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 11 a.m. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Vernon Loutzenhiser

GARRETT — Vernon J. Loutzenhiser, 84, died Monday at 11:28 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett. He had resided at the nursing home since June 1989.

He had been self-employed as the owner of PNC Electric in Fort Wayne for 30 years, retiring in 1986. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Garrett.

Mr. Loutzenhiser was born April 9, 1914, in Garrett to the late Van and Maude (Mountz) Loutzenhiser.

Surviving him are one brother, Beryl of Garrett; and two sisters, Vera Whittecar of Grand Blanc, Mich., and Gretchen Van Gilder of Irons, Mich.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in First Baptist Church, with calling after 9 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Miller's Merry Manor.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Don Rowe

ORLANDO, Fla. — Don E. Rowe, 60, died Sunday in Orlando.

A retired truck driver, he lived in Orlando and formerly had lived in Garrett and Kendallville. He was a member of the Apostolic Church in Orlando.

Surviving him are his wife, Vidora; two daughters, Rosemarie S. Taylor and Doniel Dodson, both of Orlando; his mother, Olabelle Hanna of Butler; three sisters, Ann Trammell of New Haven, Eva Crawford of Butler and Bonnie Spillane of Ottawa Lake, Mich.; four brothers, Herbert of Wolcottville, Clair of Pioneer, Ohio, Laurel of Fort Wayne, and Larry of DeKalb County; and six grandchildren.

A funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Butler United Methodist Church. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven, is in charge of arrangements.

262

The Evening Star, Wed., Aug. 19, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Douglas Barton

ANGOLA — Douglas A. Barton, 81, of Angola, died Monday at 8:07 p.m. at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

A 49-year Angola resident, he retired Aug. 17, 1979, from his position as a professor in the Mechanical Engineering Department at Tri-State University, Angola. He was a Tri-State College graduate and moved to Angola from Michigan.

He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose No. 1568, Angola, for more than 50 years, earning the Pilgrim Degree in the Moose, and was the State of Indiana Moose of the Year in 1963.

He was born July 15, 1917, in Buffalo, N.Y., to the late Clifford and Mary (Wagner) Barton.

On Dec. 21, 1940, he married Phyliss Zimmerman, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Rex, of Elkhart, and three granddaughters. Two sisters and a brother preceded him in death.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. The Moose lodge will conduct a service at 6:30 p.m. today.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Angola Moose Lodge No. 1568 Building Fund or the lodge's Ritual Team.

Frances Kennedy

PLYMOUTH — Frances L. Kennedy, 86, died today at 2 a.m. in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Center.

Mrs. Kennedy was a homemaker and a Plymouth resident most of her life. She enjoyed flower gardening and had been a member of the former Plymouth Home Economics Club. She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Plymouth and its Women's Lutheran Mission League.

She was born Oct. 12, 1911, in South Bend to the late Swan A. and Mathilda (Houth) Peterson.

She married George C. Kennedy on June 21, 1934, in Plymouth, and he died Feb. 8 1986.

Surviving are three sons and daughters-in-law, Paul R. and Linda Kennedy of Auburn, Lawrence A. and Jo Kennedy of Warsaw, and David and Pat Kennedy of Plymouth; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One sister, Blanche Mabry, and one brother, Kenneth Peterson, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Johnson-Daniels Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Her funeral will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Steven Resner of Calvary Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will take place in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Leora Gessinger

ANGOLA — Leora I. Gessinger, 60, of Angola, died Monday at 7:30 p.m. at her residence.

Mrs. Gessinger, a lifelong Angola resident, was employed as an assembly worker at Dana Weatherhead, Angola. She was a member of the Weatherhead Pioneer Club; a member of UAW Local 1406; and co-owner of B&L Storage, Angola.

She was born May 12, 1938, in Angola to the late Mervin and Francile (Reese) Keller.

On Aug. 19, 1972, she married Robert Gessinger, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Rick Foster of Hamilton and Scott Gessinger of Angola; two daughters, Sheri Antinoro of Oklahoma City and Rhonda Curtis of Hamilton; two sisters, Barbara Kuhlman of Arlington, Ohio, and Patty McLain of Hudson; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Vickie Trent, in 1978.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Scott Township, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Society, Parkview Hospice of LaGrange County or Cameron Hospice of Angola.

Evening Star, Wed., Aug. 19, 1998

Ailene Faulkner

FREMONT — Ailene Marilyn Faulkner, 74, of Fremont, died Tuesday at 6 a.m. in Kinderhook Township, Mich.

Mrs. Faulkner was employed as a real estate broker.

She was born June 15, 1924, in Allen County to the late Ernest and Margaret (Palmer) Ruby.

On Aug. 12, 1943, she married Calvin Faulkner, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Lynn and Kay Faulkner of Fremont; two daughters and a son-in-law, Carolyn Joliff of Orlando, Fla., and Linda and Mike Smey of Richmond, Va.; and five grandchildren, Pam and Rob Hoover and Adam, Cassie and Mitchel Faulkner.

A daughter, Marilyn Faulkner, preceded her in death.

Friends may call at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont from 6-8 tonight.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or the Steuben County branch of the American Red Cross.

Richard Wilson

ANGOLA — Richard D. Wilson, 53, of Angola, died Monday at 8:38 a.m. at his residence.

He worked at Owens Corning Co. in Angola and was a past commander for the Sons of the American Legion Post 31. He also was a member of the Angola Moose Lodge.

He was born Jan. 12, 1945, in Bluffton to Dean E. and Margaret L. (Lehman) Wilson. His parents survive in Angola.

Also surviving are three sons, Scott and Jeff of Garrett, and David of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Steven of Tucumcari, N.M., and Robert of Angola; two sisters, Carla Berndt of Fremont, and Barbara Steele of Angola; and one grandchild.

A brother, David Carl Wilson, preceded him in death.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. The Angola Moose Lodge will conduct a memorial service at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial gifts may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Rachel (Dolan) Hostetter**, 96, died Tuesday at 5 p.m. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

GOSHEN — **Zoa Gordon**, 95, former Stroh beauty shop owner, died Monday. Graveside services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Goshen.

LAGRANGE — **June Urick**, 85, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Martha I. Mitchell**, 77, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

George Monroe

ANGOLA — George W. Monroe, 74, of Angola, died Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

The owner of Monroe's Heating, Plumbing and Air Conditioning, he lived in Angola for 41 years after moving from Paoli in 1957. Mr. Monroe was a member of the Angola American Legion Post 31 and was an avid gardener.

He was born Aug. 30, 1923, in Paoli to the late William and Lula (Drake) Monroe. On Jan. 10, 1950, he married Ruth Dougherty, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Stanley of Angola; three daughters, Barbara Monroe of Angola, Mary Mangus of Fremont and Betty Lawson of Waldorf, Md.; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Three sisters, Ferne Lothamer, Mae Thompson and Lois Richardson, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County. Angola American Legion Post 31 will conduct a military graveside service.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Aug. 20, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Agatha Poorman

AUBURN — Agatha Marie Poorman, 90, died Wednesday at 5:50 a.m. in Regency Place, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Poorman was a homemaker and formerly lived on South Clark Street in Auburn.

She was born March 31, 1908, in Fort Wayne to the late Elmer and Mable (Whitmore) Lore.

She married Kenneth L. Poorman on Nov. 7, 1908, in New Haven. He died June 7, 1990.

Surviving her are two daughters, Margaret Ann (Mrs. Frederick) Jenkins of Fort Wayne and Carolyn Louise (Mrs. Martin) Walser of Danville, Ill.; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be conducted Saturday at 1:30 p.m. (Indiana time) in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton, Ohio, with the Rev. John Hostetter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church officiating. Friends may call Saturday from noon-1 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

The Evening Star, Fri., Aug. 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Young

WATERLOO — Mary Young, 57, died Wednesday at 5:17 p.m. in a traffic accident on West Seventh Street in Auburn.

She was a Waterloo Elementary School teacher, teaching kindergarten there from 1964 to 1976 and a readiness class from 1977 until her death. She also taught in the Cupertino School District in Santa Clara, Calif., in 1962.

She earned her bachelor's degree at Colorado State College and her master's degree at Saint Francis College, Fort Wayne. She also attended San Jose State College, Indiana University and Ball State University. She lived in Waterloo and was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Miss Young was born March 31, 1941, in Saginaw, Mich., to Frank and Dorothy Young.

Surviving her are a sister, Suzanne Grigsby of Gautier, Miss.; and one nephew, Louis Grigsby, also of Gautier.

A memorial service will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Waterloo United Methodist Church, with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. There will be no calling.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or the DeKalb County Humane Society.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Mary A. Harber**, 82, died Wednesday. Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. John Bosco Catholic Church, Churubusco. Calling 1-3 p.m. today in Tom Mungovan & Funeral Home, 2221 S. Calhoun St., and 6-8 p.m. today in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

KIMMELL — **Leonore Lee Dull**, 81, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Saturday.

LAGRANGE — **Flora "Pat" Curtis**, 76, died Thursday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

261

The Evening Star, Sat., Aug. 22, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Dale Mavis

MORRIS, Ill. — Dale E. Mavis, 66, died Thursday in Illinois.

A resident of Morris, Ill., he was a partner in C & D Management, a hotel management company in Downers Grove, Ill. He built the Holiday Inn Express in Auburn. He was a 1951 graduate of Auburn High School and a 1955 graduate of Michigan State University.

Mr. Mavis was born June 26, 1932, in Auburn to TJ Trevor Mavis and Dorothy Opal (Cool) Mavis. His mother survives in Auburn and his father is deceased.

Also surviving him are two brothers, Donald E. of Hamilton and Darell W. of Coldwater, Mich.; and three sisters, Elenor E. Mitchell, Ellen J. Wood and Evelyn J. "Evie" Greenfield, all of Auburn.

Friends may call Monday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Services will take place Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Stevan Haiflich of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Farmer Cemetery at Farmer, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association or American Diabetes Association.

Norman Cooper

OSSIAN — Norman C. "Bud" Cooper, 70, of Ossian, died Thursday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born March 24, 1928, in Mitchell. He lived in Auburn for about 30 years and was an executive for Dana Spicer Axel, retiring in 1990. He owned and operated Moyers Indicator Repair and was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. He was a 32 Degree Mason of the Auburn Lodge 214 F&AM.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, of Ossian; three sons, Daniel L. Cooper of Stevensville, Mont., Michael C. Cooper of Dothan, Ala., and Christopher C. Beatty of St. Louis, Mo.; a daughter, Candace A. Imbody of Fort Wayne; seven stepsons, Michael P. Cole of Phoenix, Ariz., Timothy R. Cole, W. Alan Cole and Donald W. Cole, all of New Haven, Philip K. Cole of Butler, Larry D. Cole of Churubusco, and Scott P. Cole of Ossian; a stepdaughter, Suzanne M. Mohr of New Haven; a brother-in-law, Lee Hess of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren; 18 stepgrandchildren; and 5 stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Claudia N. Hess, in 1997.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. at Covington Memorial Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call Sunday, 2-6 p.m., at the funeral home or one hour prior to services Monday.

A Masonic service will take place at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home by Auburn Lodge 214 F&AM.

Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen or the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission.

Area Deaths

SHIPSHEWANA — **Cora O. Miller**, 60, of Shipshewana, died at 12:42 p.m. Thursday in Vencor Hospital, LaGrange. Funeral services 10 a.m. Monday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange. Calling Sunday, 2-4 p.m., at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Harry Kees

GARRETT — Harry L. Kees, 67, died Sunday at 7:27 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Kees retired in 1993 with 28 years of service as a mechanic for General Motors Truck and Bus Division in Pontiac, Mich.

He attended the First Church of Christ in Garrett, and was a member of UAW 594 in Pontiac. He lived in Garrett and had lived most of his life in DeKalb County.

He was born Jan. 7, 1931, in St. Joe to the late George H. and Wilma M. (Magers) Kees.

He married Doris L. Newcomer on Oct. 31, 1952, in Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dennis of Waterford, Mich.; one daughter, Nancy Thompson of Metamora, Mich.; one brother, Samuel of Hamilton, three sisters, Betty DeLucenay and Nelda Shafer, both of Garrett, and Bonnie Crabill of Butler; and five grandchildren.

Two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

His funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the First Church of Christ, Garrett, with calling after 10 a.m. Lloyd Mealer will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church, the DeKalb County Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association.

Phyllis Campbell

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Phyllis L. Campbell, 75, died Friday at 11:27 p.m. in her daughter's home in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Campbell retired from Hamilton Community Schools in 1988, after teaching there for 17 years. She taught a total of 24 years. She lived in Hicksville, Ohio, and played the piano and sang for many church programs.

She graduated from Garrett High School in 1941. She entered the WAVES of the U.S. Navy in 1945, serving in World War II. She earned her bachelor's degree from Ball State University and a master's degree from Saint Francis College.

She was honored as Teacher of the Year at Hamilton Elementary School in 1985 and served on the North Central Teacher Association Committee. She was selected to hand-score the Third Grade State Writing Tests for the State of Indiana in the summer of 1996.

She was a member of the National Education Association, Indiana State Teachers Association, and Christ's Church at Georgetown.

She was born May 31, 1923, in Garrett to the late Ross H. and Addie (Greene) Mann.

She married Jack Campbell on March 9, 1946, in Garrett and he died Dec. 26, 1983.

Surviving her are two sons, Kevin of Charlotte, N.C., and Steven of Fort Wayne; four daughters, Shawn Stiver of Fort Wayne, Debra Hatter of Charlotte, N.C., Jacalyn Bevington of St. Joe, and Stacy Bernard of Auburn; and nine grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Jeffrey, in 1961, a brother, Lowell, and two grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Her funeral will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Robert Hudson officiating. Burial will take place in Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Lake James Christian Assembly.

Paul Treesh

KENDALLVILLE — Paul L. Treesh, 78, of Cree Lake, Kendallville, died Friday in his residence.

He was born in Corunna Sept. 27, 1919, to J. Eugene and Olive (Lehman) Treesh. On May 28, 1948, in Ormas, he married Louise E. Miller. She preceded him in death July 4, 1989.

Mr. Treesh, a resident of Kendallville most of his life, retired in 1980 from Kraft Foods after 31 years. He was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran and a lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2749 and American Legion Post 86.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Frank (Karen "Susie") Knepper of Fort Wayne; a son, Mike Oliver of California; a brother, Ronald Treesh of Florida; and six grandchildren, Lisa, Dan, Eric and Krista Knepper and Karie and Ty Oliver.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by a son, James Treesh, who was killed in the Vietnam War and a brother, Gordon Treesh.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Thomas Clothier of the First Christian Church officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, with military graveside rites by VFW Post 2749.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. today and one hour before services on Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Concordia High School in Fort Wayne or Stucky Research Center, 1819 Carew St., Fort Wayne 46805.

Evening Star, Mon., Aug. 24, 1998

W.J. Triplett

WATERLOO — W.J. Triplett, 80, died today at 2:30 a.m. in his Waterloo home.

He recently moved to Waterloo from Pampa, Texas. He retired in 1983 as a machine tester for CMI of Oklahoma City, Okla. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Mr. Triplett was born Dec. 15, 1917, in Henrietta, Texas, to the late G.W. and Minnie (Kemp) Triplett.

He married Marjorie Woodcox on Aug. 30, 1964, and she survives in Ligonier.

Also surviving are one son, Martin "Buck" Sprague of Waterloo; four daughters, Jenny Jo Luft of Gaines, Mich., Jerri Ann Poltrak of Houston, Texas, Janie Edwards of Big Springs, Texas, and Martha Stuller of Waterloo; 14 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

Seven brothers, one sister and one grandchild preceded him in death.

His funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after noon. The Rev. Ralph Diehl will officiate. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Clarence Kincade

PENDLETON — Clarence "Kady" Kincade, 92, died Friday in Rawlins House Nursing Home, Pendleton.

He retired from farming in 1986 and formely lived in Fortville. He was a member of Beech Grove Church of the Brethren at Interstate 69 and State Road 13.

His wife, Luciel (Girt) Kincade, preceded him in death.

He is survived by a daughter, Mary Lee Clark of Hamilton; a son, Larry of Cicero, Ind.; two sisters, Irene Kincade and Mildred Leonard, both of Fortville; nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 3-8 p.m. in Ronald L. Seals Funeral Home, Fortville.

His funeral will be conducted Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Phil Reynolds, pastor of the Beech Grove Church of the Brethren, officiating. Burial will take place in Gravel Lawn Cemetery near Fortville.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Frances "Irene" Barker**, 79, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Tuesday.

PIERCETON — **Marlin G. "Pete" Perkins**, 65, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Delbert F. Paulus**, 44, died Friday. Services were today in Columbia City.

SYRACUSE — **Lorenzo M. "Pete" Bucher**, 83, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, with calling there 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Rosezena Peachy

KENDALLVILLE — Rosezena Elaine Peachy, 70, of Kendallville, died at 2:23 p.m. Friday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born in Brimfield April 6, 1928, to Carl and Hattie (Hufferman) Ackerman. On May 16, 1948, in Waterloo, she married Francis L. Peachy. He survives.

Mrs. Peachy, a Waterloo High School graduate, was a homemaker and retired clerk for Taylor's Shoe Store in Kendallville.

Surviving with her husband are a son, Steven Peachy of Fort Wayne; a sister, Ethel Kandel of Auburn; a brother, Dale Ackerman of Hamilton; and a granddaughter, Amanda Peachy of Fort Wayne.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Ruth Bishop.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville, with the Rev. David Peachy officiating.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. today in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association or the American Lung Association.

Alice Morris

NORTH MANCHESTER — Alice Morris, 86, of North Manchester, died at 7:15 a.m. today in University Heights Convalescent Center in Indianapolis.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

The Evening Star, Tues., Aug. 25, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Taylor

AUBURN — Richard L. Taylor, 76, died today at 4:10 a.m. in Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola.

Mr. Taylor retired in 1984 with 21 years of service as a sales and purchasing agent for Rieke Corp. He had lived in Auburn since 1963 and graduated from Sturgis High School in Sturgis, Mich., in 1940.

He served on the Auburn Plan Commission from 1987 to 1992.

He was a chief petty officer in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II. He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn, the Auburn Elks Lodge, DeKalb County Red Cross and Greenhurst Country Club, and served with the Eckhart Public Library Bookmobile. He was a life member of the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum. He was an organizer for the Miss Northeast Indiana Pageant. He was a former member of the Auburn Lions Club.

Mr. Taylor was born Nov. 14, 1921, in Sturgis to the late Oscar and Margaret (Linsiesen) Taylor.

He married Julie Newell on Feb. 28, 1942, in Sturgis, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Hugh N. of Auburn and Jon C. of Los Angeles; one sister, Laurie J. Murphy of Green Bay, Wis.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

One sister, Helen Davia, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. An Elks Lodge service will be conducted Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

His funeral will take place Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. of St. Mark's Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery, Sturgis.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Alzheimer's Association.

Carol Wright

FORT WAYNE — Carol J. (Freeman) Wright, 45, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday in her home.

She was born in Garrett on Oct. 2, 1952, to William and Evelyn (Meyer) Freeman. Her father preceded her in death in February 1992. Her mother survives in Avilla. She married Dennis L. Wright and he also survives.

Mrs. Wright was co-owner of the St. James Restaurant in Avilla, a Freeman family business. The restaurant's history dates back as far as 1876 when Jonathon James began building a hotel. It was purchased by William Freeman in 1947 and he turned the landmark into a restaurant.

Mrs. Wright was a member of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church in Fort Wayne and the Pine Valley Country Club. She was active in the Republican Party and was an avid golfer. Her warm smile and sunny disposition made her well-known and loved.

Surviving with her husband and mother are a daughter, Christi L. Fisher of Fort Wayne; two sons, Aaron M. Fisher and Chad V. Wright, both of Fort Wayne; a sister, Jeanne C. Carteaux of Columbus; and three brothers, William Freeman, Thomas Freeman and Robert Freeman, all of Avilla.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Freeman.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 8669 Auburn Road. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Avilla.

Visitation is from 7-9 p.m. today and 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road.

Preferred memorials are to the Life Teen Program of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

Bonnie Aschleman

AUBURN — Bonnie Aschleman, 79, died Monday at 3:45 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Aschleman had been a nurse at Betz Nursing Home for 20 years and was a member of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

She was born June 1, 1919, in DeKalb County to the late George and Leone (Miller) James.

She married Amos Aschleman on Oct. 21, 1939, in Auburn. He died May 24, 1997.

Surviving her are three sons and daughters-in-law, Jerry and Merial Aschleman of Butler, James and Susan Aschleman of Indianapolis, and Steven and Ondalee Aschleman of Matawan, Mich.; three brothers, Clyde James of Waterloo, Carl James of Snow Lake and Robert James of Leo; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, in rural Auburn. The Rev. Donald Shankster, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, in rural Garrett.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions to the church.

Evening Star, Tues., Aug. 25, 1998

Alice Morris

NORTH MANCHESTER — Alice Allene Morris, 86, of North Manchester, died at 7:15 a.m. Monday in University Heights Convalescent Center in Indianapolis where she had resided since March 1993.

She was born in Medora on Dec. 21, 1911, to John and Lillie (Martin) Grismore. She married Thomas Morris and he preceded her in death Jan. 11, 1983.

Mrs. Morris, a resident of Huntington and Peru most of her life, moved to Indianapolis in 1968. She was retired from the staff of the Indiana School of the Blind.

Surviving are two stepsons, Gene Schmalzried and Keith Schmalzried, both of Huntington; three sisters, Margaret Burkhart of Boca Raton, Fla., Neva Lavoncher of Inglewood, Fla., and Mary Jane McAlister of Greenwood; and a brother, Eugene Grismore of Denver, Ind.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Fairview Cemetery, Servia, east of North Manchester, with the Rev. William Hemmig of North Manchester United Methodist Church officiating.

There will be no visitation.

Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

Mildred Fifer

HAMILTON — Mildred O. Fifer, 81, of Hamilton died at 11:55 a.m. Monday in Carlin Park Health Care Center, Angola.

She was born in Muncie on Aug. 25, 1916, to William and Meldora (Waymire) Privett. On July 4, 1951, she married L.D. Fifer. He preceded her in death Feb. 9, 1994.

Mrs. Fifer, a lifetime Hamilton resident, had been employed by Hamilton Products for 15 years.

Surviving are a daughter, Ladora MacDonald of Panama City, Fla.; two sons, Glen Fifer of Hamilton, and Ross Fifer of Waterloo; a sister, Mary Berry of Big Rapids, Mich.; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

There will be no services and burial will be at a later date.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Fred A. Guiff**, 100, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 5-9 p.m. Wednesday.

HOWE — **Charles J. Garlets**, 86, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Julie A. Sturgeon Rowe**, 38, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Wayne Dirrim

WATERLOO — Wayne Otis Dirrim, 83, died today at 3:20 a.m. in VA Northern Indiana Health Care, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Dirrim worked for the Indiana State Highway Department for 20 years and also owned South End Car Repair in Hamilton. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, and was a member of the Waterloo Veterans of Foreign Wars and Hamilton Knights of Pythias.

He was born July 3, 1915, in Hamilton to the late Otis and Clella (Allomong) Dirrim.

He married Iva Dell Lewis on March 21, 1952, in Waterloo and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, June Fender of Angola and Susan Dirrim of Waterloo; one sister, Helen Booth of Durand, Mich.; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Marion; two sisters, Alice Weinhold and Mary Ellen Dirrim, and one great-grandchild, Stephanie Timmis.

Arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Memorial contributions may be given to the VA Hospital Canteen, Fort Wayne.

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Berkes

ANGOLA — Robert D. Berkes, 89, of Angola, died Tuesday at 8:45 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Berkes was the owner of the Angola Reduction rendering plant for 29 years. He retired in 1975.

He had resided in Angola for 52 years, moving from Kendallville in 1946.

He was a member of the Angola United Methodist Church and a 50-year member of the Kendallville Masonic Lodge. He also was a member of Angola American Legion Post 31 and a past member of the Metropolitan School District of Steuben County Board of Trustees. He also was a past director of Milk Marketing.

He was born Feb. 5, 1909, in Noble County to the late Fred and Mary Rauh Berkes.

He married Helen Evers on June 18, 1933. She survives him.

Also surviving are a daughter, Roberta Fisher of Rolling Prairie; two sisters, Lucille Kinney of Chelsea, Mich., and Josephine Sabrosky of Grosse Ile, Mich.; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, James, Kenneth and Thadus Berkes.

Friends may call at the Weicht Funeral Home in Angola on Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. A Masonic service conducted by the Kendallville Masonic Lodge will take place in the funeral home Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday in the funeral home, with the Rev. James Butler officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Steuben County Community Foundation or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Alda Hovarter

GARRETT — Alda Rose Hovarter, 79, died Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in her Garrett home.

Mrs. Hovarter worked at Essex in Auburn for eight years, retiring in 1981. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its rosary society, and was a charter member and past president of the Garrett Eagles Auxiliary.

She was born Oct. 29, 1918, in Auburn to the late George and Helen (Abel) Mansfield.

She married Leo C. Hovarter on Nov. 15, 1941, in Crown Point. He died Aug. 3, 1946.

Surviving her are two daughters, Susan Higgins and Cynthia Steward, both of Garrett; two brothers, George Mansfield and Charles Mansfield, both of Garrett; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Evelyn Pritchett and Corinne Mansfield, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A rosary service will be conducted Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Her funeral service will take place Friday at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Father Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School or Masses.

Wayne Dirrim

WATERLOO — A memorial service for Wayne Otis Dirrim, 83, will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene.

Mr. Dirrim died Tuesday at 3:20 a.m. in VA Northern Indiana Health Care, Fort Wayne.

He worked for the Indiana State Highway Department for 20 years and also owned South End Car Repair in Hamilton. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, and was a member of the Waterloo Veterans of Foreign Wars and Hamilton Knights of Pythias.

He was born July 3, 1915, in Hamilton to the late Otis and Clella (Allomong) Dirrim.

He married Iva Dell Lewis on March 21, 1952, in Waterloo and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, June Fender of Angola and Susan Dirrim of Waterloo; one sister, Helen Booth of Durand, Mich.; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Marion; two sisters, Alice Weinhold and Mary Ellen Dirrim, and one great-grandchild, Stephanie Timmis.

Memorial contributions may be given to the VA Hospital Canteen, Fort Wayne.

Feller Funeral Home of Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Phillip R. Orr**, 49, Ligonier businessman, co-owner of Orr Funeral Homes in Ligonier, Albion and Churubusco, died at his home at 6 p.m. Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Nappanee Missionary Church. Calling 6-9 p.m. Thursday and 2-8 p.m. Friday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, and one hour before services at the church on Saturday.

SYRACUSE — **Erlene Ann Aden**, 6, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in North Webster Church of God. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Aug. 27, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

J. Wendell Bell

AUBURN — J. Wendell Bell, 73, died Tuesday at 2:40 p.m., shortly after being admitted to DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Bell retired in 1996 from Group Dekko Inc. in Kendallville with 15 years of service as a maintenance supervisor. He was an Auburn resident and a member of New Hope Christian Center in Waterloo, Auburn Kiwanis Club and the Experimental Aircraft Association. He was an honorary member of the DeKalb Flyers.

He was born March 24, 1925, in DeKalb County, to the late Ray Ellsworth and Mildred Amanda (Hinkle) Bell.

He married Esther Irene Spake on Jan. 18, 1947, in Hamilton. She died June 19, 1994.

Surviving him are two daughters, Deborah (Mrs. Dennis) Williams of Payne, Ohio, and Dinah Steig of Eugene, Ore.; one brother-in-law, Sonny Spake of Auburn; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Aaron, in 1996 and one grandson, James Williams, in 1987.

Friends may call Friday from 3-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton, Ohio.

His funeral will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in New Hope Christian Center, Waterloo, with calling after 1 p.m. at the church. Pastor Ralph Diehl will officiate. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery near Hamilton.

Jack Overmyer

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Jack W. Overmyer, 71, died Wednesday at 1:42 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Overmyer retired from the Defiance County Highway Department in 1988 after 15 years of service. He previously had worked at the Sohio Station in Hicksville. He attended Antwerp High School.

He was active in woodworking, harness racing and travel. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army-Airborne in the Pacific theater. He was a member of Hicksville Eagles Aerie 2556, and a past member of Hicksville Masonic Lodge and Hicksville American Legion Post 223.

He was a member of the Hicksville First Church of Christ, where he served as deacon and was past president of the church board.

He was born Dec. 26, 1926, in Antwerp, Ohio, to the late Paul and Orpha (Shaw) Overmyer.

He married Genevieve "Jenny" Hook on Feb. 14, 1969, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Paul D. of Hicksville; three daughters, Candace Overmyer, Jaci (Mrs. Larry) Brown, and Rexann (Overmyer) Tunis, all of Hicksville; two stepsons, Mike Cole of Fort Wayne and Jim Cole of Warren, Ohio; one brother, Donald L. of Bluffton, Ohio; two sisters, Betty Pocratsky and Phyllis Hart, both of Hicksville; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Helen Overmyer and Doris Conner, and one brother, Rex.

Friends may call Friday after 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. An Eagles service will be conducted Friday at 6 p.m. with a Masonic service at 7 p.m. (Indiana times) in the funeral home.

His funeral will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) in Hicksville First Church of Christ, with calling after 9 a.m. Ken Wellman, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville, with military graveside service by the Hicksville post of the American Legion.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Church of Christ, in care of Funding from the Heart, 118 N. Main St., Hicksville.

Addie Stewart

MADISON — Addie W. (Bladen) Stewart, 66, died Tuesday at 8:49 p.m. in King's Daughters' Hospital, Madison, of a heart attack.

Mrs. Stewart was a homemaker and enjoyed playing bingo. She was a Baptist and lived most of her life in Jefferson County.

She was born March 31, 1932, in Warsaw, Ky., to the late Harvey Edward and Julia May (Jones) Bladen.

She married Frederick Junior Anderson in 1953. She married Boyd P. Stewart Sr. in 1966, and he survives.

Also surviving are eight daughters, Debbie Kester of Auburn, Shirley Kroger Bailey of Tennessee, Brenda McManis, Tammy Bentz and Linda Humphrey, all of Madison, Mary Lemon of Xenia, Ohio, Rose Thompson of Akron, Ohio, and Addie Willena Jackson of Hanover; two sons, Randy Anderson and Boyd P. Stewart Jr., both of Madison; three brothers, Donald Bladen of Yakima, Wash., and Steve "Bear" Bladen and Jim Bladen, both of Vevay; one sister, Wanda Chipman of Cincinnati, Ohio; 20 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Robert D. Anderson in 1979 and James Lloyd Stewart in 1977; one brother, Harvey "Bud" Bladen; and two sisters, Arvenia Whiteford and Oleta Jane Kimmons.

Friends may call today from 5-8 p.m. and Friday from 8-11 a.m. in Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home, Vevay.

Her funeral will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Ronald Sandidge officiating. Burial will follow in Vevay Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Evening Star, Thurs., Aug. 27, 1998

Fay Elser

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Fay Elser, 91, died Wednesday at 9:40 a.m. in his Hicksville home.

Mr. Elser retired From Toledo Edison (formerly Lake Shore Power Co.) in 1954 with 26 years of service. He worked for O.K. Electric in Wauseon, Ohio, for 20 years, retiring in 1973.

He graduated from Farmer High School in the class of 1926 and attended Ohio State University. He was a member of the Farmer United Methodist Church, a life member of Edon Lodge 474, a 65-year Mason of the 32nd degree, and a member of Scottish Rite Valley of Toledo.

He was born Aug. 7, 1907, in Farmer Township, Defiance County, Ohio, to the late Chris and Laura (Goller) Elser.

He married Auriel Scott in 1936, and she died in 1977. He married Eunice Blair in 1986 and she survives.

Also surviving are several cousins.

Friends may call Friday after 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. A Masonic service will be conducted Friday at 6 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home.

His funeral will take place Saturday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with the Rev. Thomas Graves officiating. Burial will be in Farmer Cemetery in Farmer, Ohio.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Adrian M. Scott**, 77, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, with calling 2-5 and 6-9 p.m. Saturday.

Gladys Walters

AUBURN — Gladys Walters, 71, died Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She previously resided in Angola.

Surviving is her sister, Mary Walters of Auburn.

Her funeral will take place Friday at 2 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with calling after 1 p.m. Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Richard Tuttle

ELKHART — Richard K. Tuttle, 80, died today at 3:43 a.m. in his home.

He lived in Elkhart for five years, and formerly lived in Waterloo.

Surviving him are his wife, Geraldine; one son, Richard of Clearwater, Fla.; and two daughters, Barbara Fougerousse of Elkhart and Bonita Wright of Middlebury.

Arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Tuttle

ELKHART — Richard K. Tuttle, 80, died Thursday at 3:43 a.m. in his home.

Mr. Tuttle lived in Elkhart for five years, and formerly lived in Waterloo. He worked at Auburn Foundry for 31 years, retiring in 1976. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, where he achieved the rank of sergeant and was a baker and cook for the quartermasters. He attended the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene and Bresee Church of the Nazarene in Elkhart. He was a former member of Butler American Legion Post 202.

He was born Jan. 1, 1918, in Angola to the late John and Clara (Fry) Tuttle.

He married Geraldine C. Schatz on Dec. 24, 1945, in Angola, and she survives.

Also surviving him are one son, Richard D of Clearwater, Fla.; two daughters, Barbara J. Fougerousse of Elkhart and Bonita S. Wright of Middlebury; three brothers, Kennith and John, both of Ashley, and Willis of Golden Lake; one sister, Judy Stutzman of Ashley; and six grandchildren, Brian Tuttle, Jonathan, Jennifer and Jeffery Martin, and Nick and Jason Fougerousse.

Friends may call Monday from 2-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. Keith Bateman, pastor of Bresee Church of the Nazarene, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Child Evangelism Fellowship or Bresee Church of the Nazarene.

Dean Walter

COLDWATER, Mich. — Dean F. Walter, 82, died Wednesday in Laurels of Coldwater.

He was born Sept. 7, 1915, in Kendallville to Henry and Jennie (Dirrim) Walter. On Feb. 20, 1937, in Garrett, he married Inez Richmond. She survives.

Mr. Walter had lived in the Coldwater area since 1974, moving from the Fort Wayne area, where he lived for 24 years. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Jonesville, Mich., where he worked with the youth of the church. He was active with Boy Scouts of America in Kendallville and Fort Wayne. He enjoyed woodworking, reading and camping.

Surviving with his wife are a son, Larry "Billie" Walter of Gait, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. John (Betty Anne) Scott of Noblesville; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters and a brother.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Indiana time Monday in Dutcher Funeral Home, 440 N. Chicago, Coldwater.

Visitation is from 1-6 p.m. Indiana time Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association or the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Jonesville.

Arthur Bassett

KENDALLVILLE — Arthur "Art" Bassett, 78, died at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday in White Ridge Care Center, Lee's Summit, Mo.

He was born in South Milford Nov. 15, 1919, to George and Sylvia Mae (Eshelman) Bassett. On Nov. 26, 1969, in Harrisville, Mo., he married Dolores Dawson McBride. She survives.

Mr. Bassett was a printer for the Association of Unity Church before his retirement. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, a Sunday school teacher in Unity Village, Mo., and a past Cub Scout leader.

Surviving with his wife are two sons and daughters-in-law, Robert and Joyce Bassett of Harlan, and Gary and Janet Bassett Sr. of Fort Wayne; a stepson, Steve McBride of Kansas City, Kan.; a sister, Garnet Crist of Warsaw; two brothers, Russell Bassett of San Marcos, Calif., and Bernard Bassett of Hudson; five grandchildren; and three great-grandsons.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Carol Mahaffey officiating. Burial will be in South Milford Cemetery.

Visitation is from noon until services on Monday.

Preferred memorials are to the American Diabetes Association.

The Evening Star, Sat., Aug. 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

David King

CHICAGO — David E. King, 61, of Chicago, died at 8:20 p.m. Wednesday at his home.

He was born in DeKalb County, Ind., on Nov. 25, 1936, to Roy E. and Pauline (Putt) King. They preceded him in death in 1994 and 1993, respectively.

Mr. King was a 1958 graduate of Ashley High School in DeKalb County, and graduated from Ball State Teachers College and Rosary College with a master's degree in library science.

He was a librarian at Sachem Central Schools, Long Island, N.Y., from 1958-1960; taught English to children of servicemen at Nelligen American Junior High School near Stuttgart, Germany, from 1960-1961; and served with the Peace Corps on the Philippines island of Luzon from 1961-1963.

Mr. King retired in 1996 as chief librarian of Standard Educational Corp., Chicago.

Surviving are two brothers, Daniel and Darrell, both of Waterloo, and a sister, Mrs. Larry (Jennie) Phillips, Fort Wayne.

Private graveside services will be conducted at Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

There will be no visitation.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be directed to: Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Hospice Program, Chicago.

Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

WAWAKA — **James F. Williams**, 74, of Wawaka, died Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Monday at Fruriip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange. Calling 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

LIGONIER — **Benjamin F. Blackshire**, 59, of Ligonier, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier. Calling 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 pm. Monday at the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

Evelyn Ditmars

AUBURN — Evelyn Ida Gulick Ditmars, 86, died today at 8:30 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Ditmars lived most of her life in Somerville, N.J., and was retired as a registered nurse for Somerset Hospital in New Jersey. She was a long-time member of the Somerset Nurses Alumni Association and was a member of the United Reformed Church in Somerville.

She was born Sept. 20, 1911, in Piscataway, N.J., to the late Chauncey and Mary (McCollough) Gulick.

She married John M. Ditmars on May 10, 1934, and he died in 1983.

Surviving her are a son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Judy Ditmars of Auburn; a daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Robert Butler of Charlotte, N.C., four grandchildren and their spouses, Gennine and Jon Davis of Davidson, N.C., Robert and Beth Butler of Charlotte, N.C., Eric and Mary Ditmars of Walkerton, Ind., and Kurt and Carrie Ditmars of Garrett; and one great-granddaughter, Sommer Ditmars of Garrett.

A sister, Edith Gulick Callard, preceded her in death in 1997.

Friends may call Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Visitation and a graveside service are pending in Somerville at Cusick Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Willard Tilghman

AUBURN — Willard W. "Jack" Tilghman, 82, died Sunday at 9:30 p.m. in his home on West Ninth Street.

Mr. Tilghman retired in 1982 from Dana Corp., Auburn, as an inspector with 30 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was a member of Auburn Moose Lodge 566, where he served as past governor, Civilian Conservation Corps 556, and American Legion Post 97 in Auburn.

He was born Aug. 4, 1916, in Carter County, Ky., to the late Alpha J. and Helen Irene (Womack) Tilghman.

He married Doris Fee West on Dec. 17, 1960, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Eunice (Mrs. Arthur) Martin of Lake Penasofley, Fla., and Rita (Mrs. John V.) Bauman of Auburn; three stepsons, Terry West, Jerry West and Rick West, all of Auburn; two sisters, Mary Elizabeth Hurt of Winston-Salem, N.C., and Darlene Harper of Lintberg, Va.; nine grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

One son, Robert, and one brother, Harold, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 5-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A Moose lodge service will be conducted Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

His funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Bill Hodge of the Garrett Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, with a military graveside service by the Auburn post of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be given to Mooseheart.

Gerald Gaston

MONTPELIER, Ohio — Gerald E. Gaston, 78, died Sunday at 3:47 a.m. in Community Hospitals of Williams County-Bryan after a brief illness.

Mr. Gaston retired from General Motors in Defiance, Ohio, in 1978 after 26 years of service. He lived in Montpelier, Ohio, and formerly had lived in Hicksville, Ohio. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in an anti-aircraft unit.

He was a member of the Montpelier Church of the Nazarene and attended the Highland Park Church of the Nazarene in Lakeland, Fla.

He was born July 8, 1920, in Paulding County, Ohio, to the late David and Emma (Gumbert) Gaston.

He married Mary E. Mendenhall on Aug. 24, 1968, in Harlan, and she survives.

Also surviving are six daughters, Kathy Woods and Shirley Gifford, both of Auburn, Bridget Witte and Deannie Osmun, both of Hicksville, Judy McDonald of Kendallville and Kathy Cadle of Waynesburg, Pa.; four sons, Terry of Cecil, Ohio, Richard of Defiance, Christ of Monticello, Ga., and Jim Mendenhall of Butler; two sisters, Marie Swanson of Sun City, Ariz., and Mildred Coy of Ney, Ohio; 18 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Clara Corcoran, and three brothers, George, Walter and Wayne.

Friends may call today after 1 p.m. (Indiana time) at Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

His funeral will take place Tuesday at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with calling after 9 a.m. The Rev. John Rumple will officiate. Burial will be in Scipio Cemetery, in Allen County, with a military graveside service by the Hicksville posts of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

Memorial donations may be made to the Montpelier Church of the Nazarene or the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Geraldine L. Weeks**, 79, died Friday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

HOWE — **Ethel S. Boals**, 84, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe, with calling there 3-7 p.m. Tuesday.

LIGONIER — **Zella Lucille Badorek**, 74, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Edward E. Carr**, 68, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 5-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Edward F. White**, 87, died Sunday. Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Paul of the Cross Funeral Catholic Church, with calling 2-8 p.m. in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City.

The Evening Star, Tues., Sept. 1, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Sykes

HUNTINGTON — Mary Sykes, 83, died Monday at 6 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She lived in Huntington and was a laborer for Essex Wire in Andrews from October 1967 until her retirement in May 1980. She was a graduate of Bedford High School in Bedford, Va., and attended Central Christian Church, Huntington.

She was born May 18, 1915, in Bedford County, Va., to the late John and Bessi (Anson) Krantz.

Surviving her are one son, Dr. Clark Wardle of West Covina, Calif.; three sisters, Margaret Parks and Jean Johnson, both of Bedford, and Betty Hooper of Lynchburg, Va.; eight grandchildren, including Tim Spry of Auburn; eight great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

One son, John Clifton Spry, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in Hart Funeral Home, Huntington.

Her funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Cameron Douglas officiating. Burial will take place in the Garden of Memory, Huntington.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

William Angel

FORT WAYNE — William E. Angel, 78, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday in St. Joseph Medical Center.

He was born Dec. 14, 1919, in Fort Wayne. Mr. Angel was a forklift driver for the Kmart warehouse and retired in 1984 after 30 years. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Surviving are his wife, Almeda; a son, Michael Angel of Fort Wayne; four sisters, Marian Brown, Ida Mae Barrand and Shirley Creason, all of Fort Wayne, and Lillian Stitz of Burbank, Calif.; and five brothers, Charles Angel and Donald Angel, both of Fort Wayne, Jack Angel of Garrett, Jerry Angel of Rome City, and Larry Angel of Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Robert, Amsy and Thomas Jr.; and a sister, Dorothy Cattin.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in C.M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home, 1327 Wells St. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

George Gray

AUBURN — George G. Gray, 67, died July 24 at 2:27 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Gray was a die cast manager, retiring in 1985. He lived on Dallas Street in Auburn and was a member of Auburn Moose Lodge and Society of Die Cast Engineers.

He was born Jan. 24, 1931, in Nettleton, Miss., to the late Romie and Iola J. (Guyton) Gray.

He married Ruby Griffin on Dec. 14, 1951, in Houston, Miss., and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, George M. of Garrett and Wayne of Auburn; one daughter, Gwen Gray of Auburn, five brothers, Willie of Warren, Ohio, Gene L. of Columbus, Ohio, Cecil C. and Thomas G., both of Starkville, Miss., and Ruble E. of Vicksburg, Miss.; three sisters, Erma Jean Logan of Vicksburg, Dorothy Jane Gillis of Springfield, La., and Opal Moore of Utica, Miss.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

His funeral service was held July 27 in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

This obituary is being reprinted to correct erroneous information given to the newspaper.

The Evening Star, Wed., Sept. 2, 1998

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Harry J. Jagielski**, 66, died Tuesday. Local calling is from 3-10 p.m. today in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with services in Chicago.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Sept. 3, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Esther Ensley

ANGOLA — Esther O. Ensley, 92, of Sidney, Ohio, died Wednesday at 5:30 a.m. in Beechwood Nursing Home, Traverse City, Mich.

Mrs. Ensley was a former resident of Angola.

A homemaker, she was born April 5, 1906, in Bluffton.

Surviving are a daughter, Betty L. Gerber of Sidney; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond, on Sept. 22, 1989.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Mount Zion Cemetery, Pleasant Lake, with the Rev. Robert Staup officiating.

Arrangements are being made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Estelle Boon

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Estelle F. Boon, 76, died Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health for the past three months.

She worked for U.S. Rubber in Fort Wayne and was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville. She lived on Whitten Avenue.

Mrs. Boon was born Jan. 12, 1922, in Chicago to the late John and Ursula Petrovich. She graduated from high school in Chicago in 1939.

She married William R. "Bob" Boon on March 2, 1941, in Fort Wayne. He died Nov. 1, 1995.

Surviving her are two sons, Bob and John, both of Hicksville; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one sister, one brother, one half-sister and one half-brother.

Friends may call Friday after 1 p.m. and Saturday after 7 a.m. (Indiana times) in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. A prayer service will begin Friday at 6:30 p.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home.

Her funeral will be conducted Saturday at 9 a.m. (Indiana time) in the funeral home, with Father Thomas Oedy of St. Michael's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will take place in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Michael's Church or Hospice, The Caring Way.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Donlyn K. Davis**, 52, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Louis Wade Jr.

KENDALLVILLE — Louis Edward Wade Jr., 56, of Kendallville, died Wednesday in his home after a 1 1/2-year illness. He was a longtime Wayne Township assessor.

He was born Feb. 16, 1942, in McDowell County, Berwind, W.Va., to Lewis E. and Betty Wade. His mother, formerly of Kendallville, survives in Canebreak, W.Va. On Aug. 28, 1961, he married Patricia Gail Hicks. She also survives.

He had been employed as a laborer for Eaton Corp. (formerly Dana) in Auburn for the past 28 years and had been member of UAW Local 164, Auburn, since 1968.

Mr. Wade had held local, district and state offices since 1974. He was Local 164 time-study steward, editor of Local 164 Blue Collar News and subsequently appointed by the UAW regional director as Region Three (Indiana and Kentucky) Advisory Board member for the International Union's Local Unions Press Association.

Mr. Wade served as vice chairman and chairman of UAW CAP (Community Action Program Council) for DeKalb County; served as vice chairman of UAW 4th District (Allen, Adams, Wells, Jay, Huntington, Noble, Whitley, DeKalb, LaGrange and Steuben counties) CAP Council. Chairmen of the District Council serve as executive board members of Region 3 (Indiana-Kentucky) UAW CAP Council.

He had served as an advisory board member for the Indiana-Purdue University at Fort Wayne Division of Labor Studies. In June 1997, he was appointed to serve as vice president of the state AFL-CIO executive board and won the election for that office in December 1997.

Mr. Wade had lived in Berwind 22 years before moving to Kendallville in 1964. He was a 1960 graduate of high school in McDowell County, War, W.Va. He had attended and received certificates of graduation from many seminars, and schools, including United Auto Workers schools, institutes, classes, Indiana-Purdue University at Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne Division of Labor Studies, Governor's Labor Management Conferences and various computer classes at the Freedom Academy in Noble County.

Following his graduation from high school, he joined the U.S. Navy and was Yeoman Third Class at the time of his honorable discharge in 1964, having served during the Cuban crisis and the Vietnam War.

He had been a Democratic precinct committeeman for 23 years, served on the Kendallville City Council in 1978 and 1979; and was a delegate to the Democratic State Convention several times over the past 23 years. He was elected Wayne Township assessor in Noble County in 1982 and was re-elected in 1986, 1990 and 1994.

Mr. Wade was Scoutmaster for Cub Scout Pack 3506, St. John Lutheran Church, Kendallville, for approximately five years during the 1970s. He was also a member of VFW Post 2749, Moose Lodge, Eagles Lodge and American Legion Post 86, all in Kendallville. He attended Wayne Center United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife and mother are two sons, Louis "Ed" Wade III and Timothy O. Wade, both of Kendallville; two grandchildren, Heather Wade and Cameron O. Wade, both of Kendallville; his grandmother, Lena Whitten of Canebreak; six sisters, Evelyn Krotzer of Kendallville, Bonnie Woody of Brimfield, Brenda Swank of Logan, Ohio, Mary Tritt of Columbus, Ohio, and Barbara Benton and Ginger Snook, both of Goshen; and a brother, Larry A. Wade of Brimfield.

He was preceded in death by his father, three brothers, Ronald, Donald and Allen Wade; and a sister, Betty Gaye Sheets.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday in Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville, with the Rev. Dr. Daniel Barker officiating. Military graveside rites will be conducted in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today and from noon until services Saturday in the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to Wayne Center United Methodist Church's building fund for the Day Care Center.

Guadalupe Eis

AUBURN — Guadalupe Eis, 76, died Thursday at 8:30 a.m. in her Auburn home.

Mrs. Eis retired in 1990 as a custodian at Buchanan High School in Buchanan, Mich.

She was born Dec. 12, 1921, in San Pedro, Texas, to the late Inacensio and Juanita (Leal) Pedraza.

She married Walter Edwin Eis on March 14, 1943, in San Antonio, Texas. He died June 16, 1993.

Surviving her are one daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Cameron Moore of Auburn; one son and daughter-in-law, Gregory and Renee Eis of Mason, Mich.; two brothers, Frank Pedraza of San Antonio and Rogerio Pedraza of San Benito, Texas; two sisters, Josefina Reyes of San Antonio and Vickie Orozco of Houston, Texas; five grandchildren, Jodie Ackerman, Christopher Moore, Darren Moore, Stephanie Eis and Geoffrey Eis, and one great-grandchild, Lindsay Ackerman.

One son, Walter Edwin Eis Jr., preceded her in death in 1964.

There will be no calling or services. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Humane Shelter or a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

TOPEKA — **Christopher W. Davis**, 32, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Bible Baptist Church, Ligonier. Calling 5-8 p.m. today in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, and one hour before services at the church on Saturday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Ruby Juanita Ott**, 96, died Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 4-7 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., Sept. 5, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

John Gordon

GARRETT — John F. Gordon, 87, of Garrett, died Friday at 8:35 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home of Auburn.

Mr. Gordon worked in engineering at International Harvester in Fort Wayne for 30 1/2 years. He was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge F&AM, The Royal Arch of Masons, and Order of the Eastern Star, all of Garrett.

He was born Feb. 27, 1911, in Beaulah, Mich., to Joseph F. and Hazel (Maggert) Gordon, both now deceased.

He married Katherine DeVeny on July 3, 1932, in Garrett. She died in 1989.

He is survived by a son, Stephen Gordon of Fort Wayne; a sister, Dorothea Snepp of Auburn; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Kent Gordon, and a brother, Roger Gordon.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Garrett United Methodist Church with Dr. R. Larry Smith officiating.

Friends may call Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, and Tuesday at the church from 10 a.m. until the service.

Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Patricia Frye

HUNTINGTON — Patricia Jane Frye, 71, of Leesburg, died Friday at 7 a.m. at her residence.

Mrs. Frye was a former Huntington resident and had been a bookkeeper for J.C. Penney Co. in Huntington for seven years. She was a 1944 graduate of Huntington Township High School and a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Huntington.

She was born Oct. 14, 1928, in Dunedin, Fla., to William and Hazel (Jarvis) Flaugher, both now deceased.

She married Mark Wiley in Lancaster Township, Huntington County, on Jan. 19, 1947. He died May 27, 1961.

She married George W. Frye on Aug. 24, 1967. He survives in Leesburg.

Also surviving are three sons, Jim Frye of Ashley, Jeffrey Wiley of Warren and Jim Wiley of Huntington; four daughters, Cheryl Jenson of Waterloo, Iowa, Donna Schindler of Markle, and Jan Wilson and Joni Ehler, both of Huntington; 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Wilda Werner of North Manchester and Marjorie Richardson of Huntington.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Joan Wiley, a granddaughter, and a brother, Bill Flaugher.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. and Sunday from 1-2 p.m. at Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home with the Rev. Tim Dilley officiating. Burial will be at a later date in Lancaster Cemetery, Huntington.

Memorial donations may be made to Kosciusko Community Hospital Hospice, P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw IN 46581.

Kent German

ANGOLA — Kent German, 61, of Angola, died Friday at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Dec. 20, 1936 in Jackson Township, Steuben County, to Murl and Ina (Callender) German, who survive in Angola.

On May 9, 1958 he married Ann Lutz, who also survives in Angola.

Mr. German, a former field representative for Pet Milk Company, was a member of the Angola Moose Lodge, a former member of the Moose Lodge Bowling Team and a former member of the Heidleburg Shuffleboard Team. He was also a member of Flint United Methodist Church.

Also surviving are one son, Mike German of Angola; two sisters, Shari Harrington of Hamilton and Beverly German of Angola; five sisters, Mary Jean Morgan of Webster, N.Y., Jean Stauffer of Elkhart, Carole Sue Shank of Angola, Betty Jo Rodgers of Auburn and Debbie Murphy of Shipshewana; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in Weicht Funeral Home of Angola, with the Rev. Steven Brittenham officiating. Calling will be at the funeral home from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday

Burial will be in Flint Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to Parkview Home Health of LaGrange County.

Deaths/Funerals

Milo German

ANGOLA — Milo Kent German, 61, of Angola, died Friday at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. German was a former field representative for Pet Milk Co. He was a member of the Angola Moose Lodge, a former member of the Moose Lodge bowling team and former member of the Heidleburg shuffleboard team. He was a member of Flint United Methodist Church.

He was born Dec. 20, 1936, in Jackson Township, Steuben County, to Murl and Ina (Callender) German, who survive at home in Angola.

On May 9, 1958, he married Ann (Lutz) German, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Mike German of Angola; two daughters, Shari Harrington of Hamilton and Beverly German of Fort Wayne; five sisters, Mary Ann Morgan of Webster, N.Y., Jean Stauffer of Elkhart, Carole Sue Shank of Angola, Betty Jo Rodgers of Auburn, and Debbie Murphy of Shipshewana; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Merrill German.

Services were conducted Monday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. Steven Brittenham officiating. Burial was in Flint Cemetery. A Moose service was conducted Sunday at the Angola lodge.

Memorial donations may be made to Parkview Home Health of LaGrange County.

Loyton Treesh

AUBURN — Loyton B. Treesh, 91, died Monday at 10:45 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

He retired in 1969 from Auburn Gear with 30 years of service. He lived in Auburn and was a member of DeKalb Masonic Lodge 214, Murat Shrine of Indianapolis, Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne, Auburn Moose Lodge 566, Garrett Eagles Lodge 1357, and UAW Local 825 of Auburn.

Mr. Treesh was born Oct. 22, 1906, in Richland Township, DeKalb County, to the late Emory and Iva (Dewitt) Treesh.

He married Deloris (Greenwood) Treesh on Feb. 10, 1934, in South Bend, and she died June 18, 1944.

Surviving him are one daughter, Donna Jean "Jean" Steffe of Auburn; one brother, Dail Treesh of Auburn; nine grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, one stepgreat-grandson, eight great-great-grandchildren and two stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Bernida Carter, Eula Carroll and Lavonne Market, and one great-grandson, Harry.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Garry Steffe officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Souls Harbor Assembly of God, Auburn, or the Masonic Home in Warren, Ind.

Jonah Slater

KENDALLVILLE — Jonah H. Slater, 27, of Kendallville, was electrocuted Friday at 4:46 p.m. while working.

He was born in Kendallville July 7, 1971, to Jack and Marilyn (O'Dell) Slater. His father preceded him in death in December 1995. His mother survives in Kendallville. On Dec. 26, 1990, in Kendallville, he married Julie Fry. She also survives.

Slater

Mr. Slater was co-owner of Slater Concrete Products, a third-generation business in Kendallville. He was a 1989 graduate of East Noble High School and a member of St. John Lutheran Church and Indiana Management Club.

Surviving with his wife and mother are a son, Jacob Slater, 15 months old; two sisters, Cynthia Schroeder-Clark and Jennifer Krist, both of Kendallville; and a brother Jeff Slater of Kendallville.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in St. John Lutheran Church, Kendallville, with the Rev. Paul B. Griebel officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-9 p.m. today in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, and one hour before services on Wednesday at the church.

Preferred memorials are to the Jacob Slater Trust Fund in care of Campbell & Fetter Bank, Kendallville, St. John Lutheran Church, St. John Lutheran School or Humane Society of Noble County.

Evening Star, Fwy. Sept. 8 1998

Michael Steward

KENDALLVILLE — Michael A. Steward, 31, died Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at his home in Kendallville.

He was a factory worker at Dow Corning. He also was a volunteer firefighter in Kendallville and was recognized as Firefighter of the Year in 1997. He was a member of Garrett American Legion Post 178.

Mr. Steward was born Feb. 15, 1967, in Auburn. His father, Dave Steward, survives in Kendallville, and his mother, Karen Ann Shafer, is deceased.

He married Robin L. Johnson on Oct. 16, 1993, and she survives.

Also surviving him are a sister, Kim Claire of Ohio; his stepfather, Dave Shafer of Garrett; two half-sisters, Nicole Steward and Shelly Steward, both of Kendallville; one stepsister, Sonja McCrory of Fort Wayne; and two stepbrothers, Kirby Shafer and Chris Shafer, both of Garrett.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

His funeral will be conducted in the funeral home Wednesday at 11 a.m., with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Tom Clothier of First Christian Church in Kendallville will officiate. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, near Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Kendallville Volunteer Fire Department or First Christian Church, Kendallville.

Chester Derrow

ALBION — Chester C. Derrow, 76, of Albion, died at 11:40 p.m. Monday in Sacred Heart Home in Avilla. He had been ill 2 1/2 years.

He was born June 29, 1922, in Auburn to Charles F. and Cora (Bassett) Derrow. On Aug. 31, 1946, in Auburn, he married Betty Jean Kunce. She preceded him in death in November 1970.

Mr. Derrow was a retired farmer and also retired in 1983 from Borg Warner in Auburn. He was veteran of the armed forces.

Surviving are eight daughters, Jennette and Robert Shlater of Churubusco, and Ruth Ann Derrow, Lois Butler, Alice and Phil Weeks, Peg and Ron Conley, Claire and David Anderson and June Derrow, all of Albion, and Mary and Roger Owen of Columbia City; two sons, Tom and Rita Derrow of LaOtto, and Tim Derrow of Albion; three sisters, Helen Sanders of Orland, Marie Pruess of Michigan, and Gladys Whittig of Auburn; two brothers, Robert Derrow of Fort Wayne, and Charles Derrow of Auburn; 18 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by seven brothers, and a son-in-law, Joe Butler.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with Chaplain Tom Novy of Sacred Heart Home officiating. Burial will be in Sweet Cemetery with military graveside rites by American Legion Post 246, Albion.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Sacred Heart Home's Alzheimer's Unit.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Shane D. Owen**, 22, died at 7:10 a.m. Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Trinity United Methodist Church, Albion. Calling 2:30-8 p.m. today in Brazzell Funeral Home, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

CHURUBUSCO — **Sarah A. Owen**, 80, died Friday. Services were today in Churubusco.

LAGRANGE — **Florena J. Vaughn**, 65, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, LaGrange.

CROMWELL — **Aleen R. Davis**, 89, died Monday. Services Thursday at 10 a.m. in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Wednesday.

PALM HARBOR, Fla. — **George E. Thomas**, 75, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Vinson Memorial Chapel, Tarpon Springs, Fla., with calling there today.

ROME CITY — **LaVerda J. Whetstone** was stillborn Saturday at 7:36 p.m. Graveside services in Clearspring Cemetery, Topeka. No visitation.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Richard G. "Smitty" Smith**, 48, died Thursday. Services were Monday in Columbia City.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Ruth V. English**, 83, died Friday. Services were today in Columbia City.

.283

Deaths/Funerals

Lannes Tuttle

AUBURN — Lannes E. "Tut" Tuttle died Monday at 10:25 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Tuttle was an Auburn resident. He was a self-employed farmer when he lived in the state of New York and was a self-employed carpenter for 20 years in Auburn, retiring in 1997.

He was born in Syracuse, N.Y., to the late Lannes E. Tuttle Sr. and Myrtle (Barrett) Tuttle.

He married Helen Barton on Sept. 30, 1941, and she died in October 1978.

Surviving him are seven daughters, Shannon Steffen of Auburn, Maxine Martin of Fort Wayne, Elaine Tuttle of Burbank, Calif., Linda Teeter of Milford, Kan., Deborah Tuttle of New York City, Rebecca Baldwin of Seattle, Wash., and Patricia Oetinger of Junction City, Kan.; two brothers, Elwin of Arizona and Irving of North Bangor, N.Y.; two sisters, Margot Pomerary of Phoenix, Ariz., and Navona Quinette of Kettle Fall, Wash.; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A granddaughter, Vickie Steffen, preceded him in death in 1998.

Friends may call Thursday from 5-7 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

A graveside service will be conducted Saturday at 3 p.m. in Dickinson Center Cemetery, Malone, N.Y.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Loyton Treesh

AUBURN — Loyton B. Treesh, 91, died Monday at 10:45 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

He retired in 1969 from Auburn Gear with 30 years of service. He lived in Auburn and was a member of DeKalb Masonic Lodge 214, Murat Shrine of Indianapolis, Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne, Auburn Moose Lodge 566, Garrett Eagles Lodge 1357, and UAW Local 825 of Auburn.

Mr. Treesh was born Oct. 22, 1906, in Richland Township, DeKalb County, to the late Emory and Iva (Dewitt) Treesh.

He married Deloris Greenwood on Feb. 10, 1934, in South Bend, and she died June 18, 1944.

Surviving him are one daughter, Donna Jean "Jean" Steffe of Auburn; one brother, Dail Treesh of Auburn; nine grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, one stepgreat-grandson, eight great-great-grandchildren and two stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Garland "Bud" Treesh, three sisters, Bernida Carter, Eula Carroll and Lavonne Market, and one grandson, Harry.

Friends may call today from 4-7 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Garry Steffe officiating.

Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Souls Harbor Assembly of God, Auburn, or the Masonic Home in Warren.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Joan West**, 75, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Ligonier United Methodist Church. Calling 3-8 p.m. Thursday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home.

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Ross

AUBURN — Mary Caroline Ross, 56, died Tuesday in her Auburn home after a long illness.

Mrs. Ross lived in Richmond, Ind., until 1990, when she moved to Auburn. She was a 1960 graduate of Richmond High School and worked both in Richmond and Auburn. She was a member of many Christian organizations.

She was born May 10, 1942, in Richmond to the late Charles and Helen (McGathey) Jones.

She married Phillip L. Ross on Dec. 24, 1975, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James Williams and Kyle Ross, both of Richmond; two daughters, Lori Burton of Fort Wayne and Shari Byrdsong of Richmond; five brothers, Norman Briggs of Chicago, Charles Jones of Louisville, Ky., Garrett McElroy of Kentucky, James Jones of Richmond and George Jones; three sisters, Martha Stein and Leanne Howard, both of South Bend, and Koweba Mildred Hunt of Richmond; eight grandchildren; nieces and nephews, cousins, and many friends.

Friends may call Friday after 9:30 a.m. in Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road West, Richmond.

Her funeral will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Bishop Francis W. Daniels officiating. Burial will take place in Earlham Cemetery.

Patty Yaylaian

WEST HILLS, Calif. — Patty Ice Yaylaian, 62, died Friday in Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Yaylaian was a factory worker and lived in West Hills, Calif.

She was born Oct. 29, 1936, in Auburn to the late Jay and Grace Ice.

Surviving her are a son, Mark of Palmdale, Calif.; a daughter, Mara Yaylaian of West Hills; one brother, Jay Ice of Wolcottville; one sister, Deloris Rhodes of Pleasant Lake; and two grandchildren.

One brother, Don Ranney, preceded her in death.

Her funeral service will be conducted Friday in California. Burial will take place in Oakwood Cemetery, Chatsworth, Calif.

Alma Carson

AUBURN — Alma Rose Carson, 80, of Auburn, died at 6:26 p.m. Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne following an extended illness.

She was born Sept. 4, 1918, in Garrett to James and Dora (Warble) Clevenger. On May 25, 1962, in Michigan, she married Clifford C. Carson. He preceded her in death April 9, 1982.

Mrs. Carson was a retired beautician.

Surviving are a son, Richard Skeels of Mongo; a sister, Margaret Grogg of Auburn; three grandchildren, Mary Decker of Auburn, Dena Ritchie of Wolcottville, and Richie Skeels of Ann Arbor, Mich.; four great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

A brother, James Clevenger, preceded her in death.

Private services will be held at noon Saturday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Carldean Merrifield officiating. Burial will be in South Milford Cemetery.

There will be no visitation.

Mark Bell

ST. JOE — Infant Mark Ryan Bell was stillborn Tuesday at 4:40 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Surviving him are his parents, Gregory W. and Pamela (Tackett) Bell of St. Joe; two brothers, Greg M. and Chad M., both at home; three sisters, Brandy I., Amber M. and Faith A., all at home; his grandparents, Conley and Janet Tackett of Andrews, Ind., and Jim and Carolyn Irish of Angola; and his great-grandparents, Charles and Winnie Tackett of Melvin, Ky., Henry and Maggie Shoemaker of Andrews, and Jesse and Dorothy Bell of Waterloo.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. The Rev. Charles Witt of Free Bible Tabernacle, Butler, will officiate. There will be no calling.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Paul Richter

FREMONT — Paul A. Richter, 64, of Fremont, died Wednesday at 3:06 a.m. at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Richter was a farmer and a former employee of Phelps Dodge, Fort Wayne. He also worked in the maintenance department at the Steuben County Courthouse.

He was born Jan. 11, 1934, in Fort Wayne to Iva McDonald and Alvin C. Richter. His mother preceded him in death. His father survives him.

His wife, Clara (Humbert) Richter, whom he married on July 7, 1952, also survives.

Also surviving are seven sons, Michael (and wife, Lynn) Richter, Kevin Richter, Doug Richter, and Matt (and wife, Michelle) Richter, all of Fremont; Rick (and wife, Colleen) Richter, Brad (and wife, Stephanie) Richter, both of Hicksville, Ohio, and Mark (and wife, Lindy) Richter of Edon, Ohio; 17 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, Alvin (and wife, Margaret) Richter of Fort Wayne and Terry (and wife, Ann) Richter of Mongo; and a sister, Cheryl (and husband, Doug) Kelly of Angola.

Friends may call Friday from noon to 3 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will take place immediately following the visitation at 3 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Donald Kleinschmidt officiating.

Burial will be in Powers Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the Steuben County Heart Association.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Loyd C. Smith**, 83, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Faith Baptist Church, 850 W. Business 30. Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in Smith & Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City.

LAGRANGE — **Ruth E. Steinbarger**, 76, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., Sept. 11, 1998

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **Susan Evalena Kuhn**, 51, died Wednesday. Services were today in Syracuse.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **James B. Hillman**, 91, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with calling there 5-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Roxane E. "Babe" Gutermuth**, 91, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there after 9 a.m. Saturday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Elmer Edward Kumfer**, 81, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church, Columbia City. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

COLUMBIA CITY —**Keith D. Moore**, 70, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Sat., Sept. 12, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Mary Mackel

HUNTERTOWN — Mary Ellen "Molly" Pennell Mackel, 54, died Thursday of cancer in her Huntertown home.

She was an elementary teacher in Ohio and Indianapolis and a homemaker. She returned to teaching at St. John the Baptist Elementary School in Fort Wayne. She lived in Fort Wayne from 1974-1988, and in the Huntertown area from 1988 until her death. She was a native of Van Wert, Ohio.

She received her A.B. degree from Earlham College and a master's degree in education from Butler University.

She was active in many community groups, including Community Harvest Food Bank, ACRES Land Trust, Cedar Creek Wildlife Association, Riverwatch Project, The Scribes writers group, Boys and Girls Club of Fort Wayne, and various activities at Trinity English Evangelical Lutheran Church.

She and her husband were instrumental in establishing the Little Cedar Creek Wildlife Refuge, and she was a charter member of the Huntertown Chamber of Commerce.

Surviving her are her husband, Dr. Jerry L. Mackel, who practices medicine in Auburn; two daughters, Jennifer and Erin; one son, John; her mother, Marguerite Pennell of Van Wert; her twin sister, Ann Greene of Cundy's Harbor, Maine; one brother, Laurence Pennell of Van Wert; her in-laws, Dr. and Mrs. F.O. Mackel of Huntertown; and other relatives.

Friends may call Sunday from 1-4 and 7-9 p.m. in Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Homes Wayne Street Chapel, Fort Wayne.

A memorial service will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in Trinity English Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, followed by private burial.

Memorial contributions may be given to ACRES Land Trust, The Nature Conservancy or Trinity English Evangelical Lutheran Church Continuing Education Fund.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Robert E. Foster**, 82, died Thursday at 11:59 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home Monday at 10:30 a.m., with the Rev. Gerald Ringenberg officiating.

HOWE — **Robert Miller**, 66, of Howe, died in his home Friday at 5 a.m. Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Carney-Frost Funeral Home in LaGrange. A funeral service will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Rev. Dean Adkins officiating.

The Evening Star, Mon., Sept. 14, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Lloyd Wilson

AUBURN — Lloyd K. Wilson, 76, died Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in his daughter's home in Auburn.

He retired in 1977 from Transport Motor in Fort Wayne. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the 14th Air Force Flying Tigers. He was a member of Butler American Legion Post 202 and the 14th Air Force Association.

Mr. Wilson was born Oct. 26, 1921, in DeKalb County to the late Hubert and Esta (Keller) Wilson.

He married Ruth Noragon on Jan. 31, 1947, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dale of Auburn, two daughters, Betty Forrest and Lorri Christlieb, both of Auburn; one stepson, James Heller of Auburn; two sisters, Rebecca Reas of Englewood, Fla., and Evelyn Adams of Miami, Fla.; 11 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Two brothers, Keith and Lewis, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Children First Center, Auburn.

Norma Dickson

AUBURN — Norma J. Dickson, 59, died Friday at 10:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Dickson retired in 1992 from Magnavox in Garrett.

She was born July 19, 1939, in Spencerville to the late Charles and Marjorie (Furnish) Timmerman.

She married Jack Dickson on Nov. 3, 1957, in Fort Wayne, and he survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Kevin of Fort Wayne, Todd of Evans, Ga., and Jack of Garrett; two daughters, Denise Cagle of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Lisa Stutzman of Auburn; five brothers, Victor Timmerman of Orlando, Fla., Louis Timmerman of Auburn, Howard "Pete" Timmerman and Keith Timmerman, both of Spencerville, and James Timmerman of Shelby, Ohio; six sisters, Eloise Fry of Butler, Shirley Timmerman of Arizona, Patricia Mechli of Spencerville, Loree Baker of Washington state; and Sharon Snyder and Darlene Zimmerman, both of Leo; and 12 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Terry, and two sisters, Anita Fry and Mozelle Edgar.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to Auburn Alliance Church.

Rodolph Collins

CORUNNA — Rodolph Collins, 77, of Corunna, died at 1:35 p.m. Sunday in Kendallville Manor Healthcare Center in Kendallville. He had been ill five years.

He was born in Floyd County, Ky., April 11, 1921, to Silas and Rachael (Hicks) Collins. On Nov. 23, 1971, in Clintwood, Va., he married Irene Hicks. She survives.

Mr. Collins, a coal miner, had also worked for Newnam Foundry and Garrett Foundry, retiring in 1959. He was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church in Pikesville, Ky.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Sally Squires of Albion; eight sons, Raymond Collins of Winchester, Ky., Willie Collins of Stroh, James Collins, Kern Collins and Jerry Collins, all of Kendallville, Robert Collins of Plainfield, Denzil Hyler of Corunna, and Junior Hicks of David, Ky.; a sister, Betty McDaniels of Garrett; a brother, Robert Vanderpool of Auburn; 34 grandchildren; and 53 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three daughters, Annie Belcher, Rachel Collins and Verdie Collins, a brother and a sister.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Zion United Baptist Church, Valentine, north of Wolcottville, with the Rev. Bethel Bolen, the Rev. Jeremy Manns and the Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Additional services will be held today and Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the church where visitation is after 3 p.m. today and all day Tuesday.

Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Evening Star, Mon., Sept. 14, 1998

Ronald Hartwig

LANSING, Mich. — Ronald A. Hartwig, 43, died Friday in Lansing, Mich.

Mr. Hartwig, a former Orland resident, was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a former member of Local 951. He enjoyed motorcycles and building ships.

He was born June 26, 1955, in Lansing to John and Madeline (Redi) Hartwig. They survive him in Florida.

Also surviving are a son, Rockie Hartwig of Lansing, Mich.; a daughter, Christie (and husband, Mike) Schulz of Grand Ledge, Mich.; five grandchildren, Julia Hartwig, Kyla Schulz, Michael Roland Schulz, Samantha Hartwig and Jessica Hartwig; his former wife, Patricia Goff of Lansing, Mich.; and two brothers, Mike Hartwig of Florida and Bob Hartwig of Charlotte, Fla.

Friends may call today from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, Mich.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home, with the Rev. John A. Kennedy of the Wayside Chapel of Mason officiating.

Military services will be conducted by the Cole-Briggs American Legion Post 48 of Grand Ledge, Mich.

Edna Miller

ANGOLA — Edna P. Miller, 93, of Angola, died Saturday at Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Mrs. Miller, a homemaker, was a member of the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, Waterloo.

She was born May 28, 1905, in Waterloo to the late Earl and Myrtle (Curry) Forrest.

On Sept. 16, 1924, she married Oliver Miller, who preceded her in death on Nov. 30, 1986.

Surviving are a son, Richard "Dutch" Miller of Rushville; a brother, Robert Forrest of Waterloo; two sisters, Von Eyster of Angola and Dorothy Fisher of St. James City, Fla.; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Irene Sunday and Viola Reiter; and three brothers, Don, Clark and Glen Forrest.

Services took place today at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with Brian Wilcox officiating. Burial was in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Cedar Lake Church of Christ, Waterloo.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Oren F. Haas**, 89, died Saturday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there two hours before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Joan E. Schipper**, 71, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Zion Lutheran Church, Columbia City, with calling 4-8 p.m. Tuesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City.

I. Lucille Stritmatter

AUBURN — I. Lucille Stritmatter, 85, died Saturday at Auburn Health Care.

She retired in 1978 from Magnavox, Fort Wayne, with 42 years of service. She was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Hilo Chapter 141 of the Order of Eastern Star, White Shrine of Jerusalem, and Quarter Century Club of Magnavox.

She was born April 8, 1913, in Fort Wayne. She was married in 1935 in Fort Wayne to Russell J. Stritmatter. He died in 1977.

Surviving her are one brother, George H. Brinkman; four grandchildren, David E. Stritmatter of Garrett, Judith Ann Roy and Kimberly S. Ehleiter, both of Auburn, and Pamela Sue Stritmatter of Avilla; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Larry Stritmatter, and one brother, Ernie Brinkman.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4-6 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with burial in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be given to Grace Lutheran Church.

The Evening Star, Tues., Sept. 15, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Dorothy Mapes

KENDALLVILLE — Dorothy Irene Mapes, 81, of Kendallville, died at 1:25 p.m. Sunday in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home, following a short illness.

She was born in Stroh July 1, 1917, to Justus Floyd and Ersel Mae (Deal) Rowlison. On June 13, 1963, in Brimfield, she married Robert Allen Mapes. He preceded her in death June 20, 1982.

Mrs. Mapes, a lifetime Noble County resident, was a self-employed housekeeper.

Surviving are a daughter, Karen Storey of Kendallville; two sons, Brian Mapes of Kendallville, and Michael Storey, address unknown; three sisters, Nelda Cummins of Kendallville, Arvilla Castner of Angola, and Wanda Amburgey of Stroh; five grandchildren, Bryce, Gavin and Kayla Mapes and Debbie Gohn and Jeff Trowbridge, all of Kendallville; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and three sisters.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville, with the Rev. James Mapes officiating.

Visitation is from noon until 12:45 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Geneva Crager

WATERLOO — Geneva Parker Crager, 76, of Waterloo, and formerly of Floyd County, Ky., died Sept. 6 in the home of her daughter in Wayland, Ky.

She was born Oct. 29, 1921, in Wayland, to Jack and Mary Ellen (Frazure) Ratliff.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Perry Parker, and her second husband, Bee Crager.

Mrs. Crager was a retired nurse.

Surviving are five daughters, Sondra Keown of Bowling Green, Ky., Ella Scott of Prestonburg, Ky., Sarah Moore of Kendallville, Mary Jacqueline Caudill of Wayland, and Sally Gibson of Waterloo; five sons, Billy Parker and David Parker, both of Auburn, Wendall Parker of Kendallville, and Austin Parker and Marlin Parker, both of Butler; 35 grandchildren; 68 great-grandchildren; and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sept. 9 in Steele Creek Old Regular Baptist Church in Wayland. Burial was in Keen Cemetery, Wayland.

Hall Funeral Home in Martin, Ky., was in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Lois Neoma Miller**, 84, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., Sept. 16, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Julie Moser

FORT WAYNE — Julie K. Moser, 40, of Fort Wayne, died Sept. 2 in a plane crash off the coast of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

She was born June 2, 1958, in Logansport to Jim and Carolyn Moser.

A singer and entertainer, Moser worked for Global Connections, a business that organized conventions throughout the world.

She was a member of Rainbow Girls, a 4-H club member for 10 years, a singer, waitress, musician and entertainer. She had worked at Opryland in Nashville, Tenn., for three seasons and had toured with Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians and had been a cruise ship entertainer.

She earned a degree from the Butler University School of Music in Indianapolis and was also a graduate of Royal Center High School in Logansport, Ind. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

She is survived by her mother and stepfather, Carolyn and Richard Pequignot of Fort Wayne; her father and stepmother, Jim and Carol Moser of Loveland, Colo.; one brother, Bill Moser of Shreveport, La.; two stepbrothers, David Campbell of Fort Collins, Colo., and Steve Campbell of Loveland, Colo.; grandparents, Lee and Jane McDuffee of LaOtto; two aunts, Clara Ann Yarian and Charlotte McDuffee, both of Aiken, S.C.; and one niece, Madison Moser of Shreveport, La.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home, Winchester Road Chapel, 6424 Winchester Road.

Preferred memorials are to the Julie K. Moser Scholarship Fund of Butler University School of Music, Lilly Hall, 4603 Clarendon Road, Indianapolis, IN 46208.

Area Deaths

WARSAW — **Phyllis J. James**, 71, died Monday. Memorial services Friday at 2 p.m. in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco. No calling.

ROANOKE — **Melvin L. Hatter**, 80, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday at Roanoke Memorial Chapel with calling there one hour before services.

LIGONIER — **Eli E. Miller**, 84, died Tuesday. Services at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the residence of Merle D. Miller, 11424N — 500W, Ligonier. Calling is after 4 p.m. today and all day Thursday at the Eli E. Miller residence at 11461N — 500W, Ligonier.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Sept. 17, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Margaret Roy

ANGOLA — Margaret L. Roy, 87, of Angola, died Wednesday at 12:09 a.m. at St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Miss Roy had lived in Angola since 1985 after moving from LaGrange.

She worked as a cashier for Northern Indiana Public Service Co. in Wolcottville and LaGrange, retiring in 1982. She was a member of the Wolcottville Baptist Church and the Daughters of the American Revolution of LaGrange County.

She was born Aug. 25, 1911, in LaGrange County to the late Howard and Pansy (Pierce) Roy.

Surviving are a sister, Ruth Fiandt of Angola; a nephew, John Fiandt of Angola; and a niece, Sarah Jane Roy of Carmel.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Ronald P. Roy, in 1995.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday in the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Visitation will take place one hour before the services. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery, Wolcottville.

Memorial donations may be made to the Wolcottville Baptist Church.

Virgil Skinner

MISSION, Texas — Virgil P. "Virg" Skinner, 87, died Tuesday in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He retired in 1976 after 26 years as chief engineer for Borg-Warner Corp., Auburn. He lived in Mission, Texas, and was a summer resident of Lake Gage. He lived in New Haven from 1953 to 1981.

Mr. Skinner was a member of Trinity Methodist Church in Mission, F.& A.M. Star Lodge 709 in Hoopeston, Ill., Scottish-Rite Lodge Council Chapter Consistory Valley of Danville, Ill., Moose Lodge 1568 of Angola, and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

He was born June 19, 1911. His first wife, Pearl Marie Skinner, preceded him in death in 1980.

Surviving him are his wife, Kathleen "Kitty" Skinner of Mission; one son, John of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Phyllis Lyons of Denver; one stepdaughter, Margaret Thomas of Auburn; one stepson, John Fox of Fort Wayne; five grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven. A Masonic lodge service will be conducted tonight at 7:30 in the funeral home.

His funeral service will be conducted Friday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in New Haven.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Howard Ott**, 80, died Wednesday. Funeral arrangements are pending at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco.

WAWAKA — **Bill Donat**, 82, died Wednesday. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier. Calling is Sunday from noon-2 p.m. in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Fri., Sept. 18, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Dorothy Culver

ANGOLA — Dorothy B. Culver, 83, of Angola, died Thursday at her residence.

Mrs. Culver worked as a customer service representative at Angola State Bank, retiring in 1984 after 20 years. She was a member of the Fireman's Auxiliary, the Women of the Moose at the Angola lodge, and a former member of Business and Professional Women.

She was born March 5, 1915, in Steuben County to the late Ralph W. and Helen S. (Brown) Zimmerman.

Surviving are two sons, Tim Culver and Tony Culver, both of Angola; two sisters, Lana Christy and Phyliss Barton, both of Angola; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A Women of the Moose service will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Moose Memorial Fund and Cameron Hospice.

Hazel Martin

KENDALLVILLE — Hazel Martin, 66, died Thursday at 10 a.m. in her residence. She had been in failing health since January.

She was born Dec. 29, 1931, in Auburn to George and Ruth (Donley) Peters. On April 28, 1951, in Kendallville, she married Voile Martin, who survives.

She was employed at No-Sag in Kendallville for 10 1/2 years and at Southside Market in Kendallville for 32 1/2 years.

She was a member of the American Legion Post 86 Ladies' Auxiliary in Kendallville and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2749 Ladies' Auxiliary in Kendallville. Also, she was a past president of the VFW Ladies' Auxiliary. She was an avid bowler.

Surviving with her husband are three sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Pamela Martin, Jeffrey and Wendy Martin and Patrick and Cheryl Martin, all of Kendallville; three half-brothers, George Peters and Harry Peters, both of Garrett, and John Peters of Auburn; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one half-sister, Mary Custer.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Stan Kessler officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery, rural Wolcottville.

Calling is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to CompreCare Hospice, Kendallville, or the VFW Post 2749 Ladies' Auxiliary.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Harold Ott**, 80, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Cornerstone Wesleyan Church in Merriam. Calling is today from 2-8 p.m. at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco and at the church Saturday one hour before services.

KENDALLVILLE — **Daisy D. Slone**, 70, died Thursday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in Little Flossie Old Regular Baptist Church, Lisbon. Calling is from 4-6 p.m. today and after 10 a.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, and Sunday at the church.

The Evening Star, Sat., Sept. 19, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Warren Baugh

HAMILTON — Warren H. Baugh, 66, died Tuesday at his home in Hamiton.

Mr. Baugh was a retired employee of Auburn Gear and a former resident of Lawrence County, Ky. He attended Buchannon Chapel Church.

He was born Dec. 22, 1931, in Lawrence County, Ky., to Tom and Cora (Newsome) Baugh, both now deceased.

He is survived by his wife, Alfretta Pickens Baugh; a daughter, Vickie Norton of Pleasant Lake; a son, Daniel W. Baugh of Edon, Ohio; a sister, Mary Reed of Louisa, Ky.; three brothers, Alonzo of Hamilton, George of Catlettsburg, Ky., and William of Waverly, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

Friends called Friday evening at Wilson Funeral Home in Hamilton.

Services will take place today at 1 p.m. in the Buchannon Chapel Church at Zelda, Ky., where he attended. Friends will call at the church one hour before services. Burial will be in Buchannon Chapel Cemetery.

Charles Prince

HUDSON — Charles D. Prince, 83, died Friday at 4:50 a.m. at his home at Lake of the Woods.

Mr. Prince retired in 1976 from the maintenance department at A-1 Production in Kendallville. He also worked for ITT in Fort Wayne and farmed most of his life. He was a member of St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church.

He was born April 25, 1915, to the late Charles A. and Ruth (Miller) Prince in Fort Wayne.

He married Helen Minich on Nov. 21, 1936, in Arcola. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Jerry (Arlene) Stewart of LaGrange and Mrs. John (Carolyn)Young of Warsaw; a son, C. Edward Prince of Rome City; a sister, Mrs. Roger (Audrey) Bercot of Fort Wayne; a brother, George Prince of Fort Wayne; five grandchildren, Scott Stewart of Shipshewana, Mrs. Neal (Renae) Willey of LaGrange, Neil Stewart of Middlebury, Todd Sautter of Milford and Angie Young of Warsaw; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Marie Prince, and a sister, Mrs. Clifford (Evelyn) Hendren.

There will be no visitation.

A memorial service will take place Wednesday at 7 p.m. at St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Big Long Lake, with the Rev. Conrad Schweibold officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church.

Arrangements are being made by Miller Funeral Home, Middlebury.

Area Deaths

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Erwin Krueger**, 61, died Tuesday. Services will be at 11 a.m. today in Yoder-Culp Funeral Home, 1911 S. Main St., Goshen. Calling will be at the funeral home one hour before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Evanell Holman

AUBURN — Evanell M. Holman, 76, died Friday at 4:40 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Holman retired in 1962 after 20 years as a secretary at General Electric Co., Fort Wayne. She was a member of Elex Club from General Electric and the Auburn First United Methodist Church.

She was born Sept. 19, 1921, in Auburn to the late S.A. and Nellie (Triplett) McIntosh.

She married John F. Holman on March 23, 1946, in Auburn and he died Feb. 11, 1988.

Surviving her are one daughter, Carol (Mrs. Dean) Wonders of York Springs, Pa.; and two grandsons, Dean Wonders Jr. and P.J. Wonders, both of York Springs.

Friends may call Friday from 3-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral will take place Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Karen Koelsch officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Arthritis Foundation.

Kenneth Metz

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Kenneth C. Metz, 81, died early Sunday afternoon in Fountain Manor Care Center in Hicksville, where he had been a resident for two years and seven months.

Mr. Metz graduated from Hicksville High School in 1935. He retired from Hicksville Grain Co. in 1982 with 42 years of service. He was a member of the Hicksville First Presbyterian Church, where he served as a church elder for many years. He was a member of the Hicksville Rifle and Pistol Club, past secretary of the Six Corners Cemetery Board, and caretaker of the Six Corners Cemetery for many years.

He was born April 17, 1917, in Hicksville to the late Harry C. and Erma (Breininger) Metz.

He married Maxine Shull on April 20, 1938, in Hicksville, and she died Oct. 19, 1995.

Surviving him are two sons, David and Stephen, both of Hicksville; two sisters, Madalyn Battershell of Hicksville and Doris Pease of Latty, Ohio; five grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Lowell, and his stepmother, Zola.

Friends may call tonight after 6 p.m., Tuesday after 1 p.m. and Wednesday after 7 a.m. (Indiana times) in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

His funeral service will be conducted Wednesday at 9 a.m. in Hicksville First Presbyterian Church, with calling after 8 a.m. (Indiana times). Pastor John Naugle will officiate. Burial will take place in Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial donations may be made to Hicksville First Presbyterian Church.

V. Louanna Witherspoon

GARRETT — V. Louanna Witherspoon, 80, died Saturday at 5:10 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was a supervisor at Electric Motors for 34 years, retiring in 1988. She was a member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett, Garrett Eagles Lodge Auxiliary and Garrett American Legion Auxiliary, and a 50-year member of Eastern Star. She formerly lived on East Warfield Street in Garrett.

She was born June 5, 1918, in Jay County to the late Richie L. and Mary R. (Bird) Haffner.

Surviving her are one son, James of Garrett; a daughter-in-law, Judith Witherspoon of Garrett; two sisters, Lora Freeman of Losantville, Ind., and Jean James of Largo, Fla.; three granddaughters, Jody Barry of Farmington, Conn., Janice Witherspoon of Garrett and Jamie Witherspoon of Tampa, Fla.; two great-granddaughters, Emily and Amy Barry.

She was preceded in death by a son, Billy; four brothers, Dale, Tom, Fred and Donald Haffner; and two sisters, Betty Haffner and Freda Romero.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral service will take place Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 9 a.m. The Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. of First Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Zopher Randol Jr.

LAGRANGE — Zopher R. Randol Jr., 70, of LaGrange died Friday at 8:48 p.m. in Laurels of DeKalb County in Butler.

He was born May 12, 1928, to Zopher and Huldah (Dunkle) Randol. Mr. Randol, formerly of LaGrange, Wabash, Crescent City, Fla., and Okeechobee, Fla., operated a lawn mower repair business while living in Florida. He worked as a lineman for the United Telephone Co. in LaGrange and was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. He was a special deputy sheriff and a member of Welaka Baptist Church in Welaka, Fla., as well as a member of the DAV in Florida.

Surviving are his wife, Alice; two daughters, Brenda K. Sayer of Waterloo, and Kathy J. Miller of Rome City; two sons, Terry D. Randol of Ocala, and Grover L. Bemis of Fairmount; three sisters, Fay Teft of Colon, Mich., May Mains of LaGrange, and Betty Lou Malone of Shipshewana; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 4:30 p.m. today in Independent Full Gospel Church with the Rev. Sam Weimer officiating. Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery, LaGrange County, at a later date.

Johnson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Evening Star, Mon, Sept 21, 1998 (cont'd)

Irene Eckert

ASHLEY — Irene Eckert, 98, formerly of the Ashley area, died Sept. 12 in her home in Gibralter, Mich.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Max and Marge Eckert of Dearborn, Mich.; a daughter-in-law, Barbara Eckert of Florida; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ross, and three sons, William, Donald and Dean.

Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in St. John's United Church of Christ in Ashley. Burial will follow at Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna. No calling.

Preferred memorials are to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mich.

Obituary information courtesy of Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson.

Tonya Coleman

KENDALLVILLE — Tonya L. Coleman was stillborn Saturday at 11:11 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

Surviving are her mother, Sarah Coleman of Kendallville; grandparents, Terry and Vicki McNamara of Kendallville; great-grandparents, Don and Mary Lou Smart of Kendallville; and great-great-grandparents, Margaret Smart and John Friend, both of Kendallville.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Paul Griebel officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Visitation is one hour before services Tuesday in the funeral home.

Area Deaths

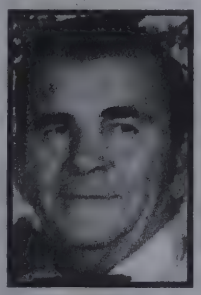
LAGRANGE — **Margaret W. Smith**, 76, died Saturday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Dunlap United Methodist Church, Elkhart, with calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Stemm-Lawson-Peterson Funeral Home, Elkhart Chapel.

The Evening Star, Tues., Sept. 22, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Zopher Randol Jr.

LAGRANGE — Zopher R. Randol Jr., 70, of LaGrange, died Friday at 8:48 p.m. in the Laurels of DeKalb County nursing home in Butler.


Randol

He was born May 12, 1928, to Zopher and Huldah (Dunkle) Randle. Mr. Randol, formerly of LaGrange, Wabash, Crescent City, Fla., and Okeechobee, Fla., operated a lawn mower repair business while living in Florida. He worked as a lineman for the United Telephone Co. in LaGrange and was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. He was a special deputy sheriff and a member of Welaka Baptist Church in Welaka, Fla., as well as a member of the Disabled American Veterans in Florida.

Surviving are his wife, Alice; two daughters, Brenda K. Sayer of Waterloo and Kathy J. Miller of Rome City; two sons, Terry D. Randol of Ocala, Fla., and Grover L. Bemis of Fairmount; three sisters, Fay Teft of Colon, Mich., May Mains of LaGrange, and Betty Lou Malone of Shipshewana; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services took place Monday in the Independent Full Gospel Church with the Rev. Sam Weimer officiating. Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery, LaGrange County, at a later date.

Johnson Funeral Home of Hudson was in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Herbert R. Weaver**, 68, died Monday. Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Thursday in St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, and one hour before services at the church on Thursday.

297

The Evening Star, Wed., Sept. 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Charles Capp

BUTLER — Charles W. Capp, 77, died Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in his Butler home.

Mr. Capp retired in 1983 after 34 years as parts and service manager at Maxton Motors and 12 years as groundskeeper at Eastside High School. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a lifetime Butler resident.

Capp

He was a member of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church, in rural Butler, Forest Lodge 239, F.&A.M., Scottish Rite, and Butler American Legion Post 202. He was affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America and achieved his completion of Wood Badge training in 1955. He was deputy governor of District 25-B Lions Club and a member of the advisory board to the Wilmington Township trustee.

He was born June 29, 1921, in Butler to Millard and Georgia (Wartenbe) Capp.

He married Wilma Louise Carr on Sept. 5, 1941, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Janet Phillips of Hicksville, Ohio; one son, David of Butler; three grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Ellen (Capp) Richards and Imogene (Capp) Metcalf, and two stepgrandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler. A Masonic service will be conducted tonight at 7 in the funeral home.

His funeral will take place Thursday at 2 p.m. in Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Tony Brooks officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Leonard Forbes

KENDALLVILLE — Leonard Smith "Jimmy" Forbes, 97, died at 1 a.m. Tuesday in Harborview Care Center, League City, Texas. He had been seriously ill since June 26.

He was born in Wasepi, Mich., on Jan. 29, 1901, to Clyde and Grace (Gaines) Forbes. On Sept. 3, 1920, in Hillsdale, Mich., he married Wanda Fischer. She preceded him in death Aug. 9, 1993.

Mr. Forbes moved to Kendallville in 1902 from Wasepi, Mich. He had lived at 319 E. William St., Kendallville, until moving to Texas in 1993. He was a retired ticket agent for New York Central Railroad and a railroad telegraph operator for 42 years. He was a member of Trinity Church United Methodist, Kendallville, Order of Odd Fellows, Order of Railroad Telegraphers, Noble County Historical Society and Modern Woodmen of America.

Surviving are a son, Hubert H. Forbes of El Lago, Texas; a brother, Max Forbes of Kendallville; a sister, Geraldine Boughey of Angola; three nieces, Margaret Zeedyk and Emma Davies, both of Kendallville, and Grace Moriarty of Hamilton; four nephews, Thomas Forbes of Fort Wayne, Eugene Wert of Angola, and Craig Fischer and Hugh Fischer, both of Kendallville; two grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A brother, Keith Forbes, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Dr. Daniel Barker officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

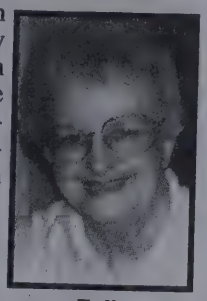
Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity Church United Methodist, Kendallville.

Evening Star, Wed., Oct. 23, 1998 (cont'd)

Donna Fulk

AVILLA — Donna Jean Fulk, 69, of Avilla, died at 2:55 a.m. today in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.


Fulk

She was born in Avilla on July 15, 1929, to John and Florence (Wheatfeldt) Fischer. They preceded her in death. On Oct. 3, 1953, in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avilla, she married Richard Lee Fulk. He survives.

Mrs. Fulk, a lifetime Noble County resident, was owner and operator of Donna's Beauty Booth in Avilla, retiring in February. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and American Legion Post 240 Auxiliary.

Mrs. Fulk was also an avid bingo player.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Larry (Nadine) Coburn of Kendallville; a son and daughter-in-law, Greg and Patty Fulk of Waterloo; and two grandsons, Joshua David Coburn and Christopher Michael Coburn.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Gerald Wayne Fulk.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Mary's Catholic Church, with the Rev. Daniel Durkin officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla.

Preferred memorials are to the Noble County Cancer Society.

Helen Nichols

ORLAND — Helen Anna Nichols, 82, of Orland, died Monday at her home.

Mrs. Nichols worked as a cook at Omar's Bar in Coldwater, Mich., for 26 years. She retired in 1992. She attended Orland United Methodist Church and was a member of the Methodist Women's Group and Young at Heart.

She was born April 6, 1916, in Steuben County to the late William H. and Bell B. (Wheaton) Lonsbury.

She married Ray Nichols in 1931. He preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 1983.

Surviving are a son, Jerry Nichols of Orland; five daughters, Bonnie (Mrs. Lynn) Garman of Angola, Phyllis (Mrs. Derwood) Anderson of Belton, Texas, Illa (Mrs. William) Boyd of Indianapolis, Nancy Cain of Orland and Sue (Mrs. Louie) Garman of Grand Island, N.Y.; 20 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Also preceding her in death were a daughter, Freda Foltz; a sister, Alta Ewers; and four brothers, Harvey Lonsbury, Alvin Lonsbury, Fred Lonsbury and Leland Lonsbury.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Private family graveside services will take place at Knauss Cemetery in Branch County, Mich., with the Rev. Carl R. Lott officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Association or to Cameron Hospice.

Arrangements are being made by Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Sept. 24, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Eleanor Blanchard

NORTH MIAMI, Fla. — Eleanor Beard Blanchard, 60, died Wednesday at 5:30 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a clerk at Allied Universal in Miami. She attended the North Miami Christian Church in North Miami, Fla. She also lived in North Miami.

She was born June 1, 1938, in Defiance County, Ohio, to the late Milton and Hazel (Wonderly) Beard.

Surviving her are one son, Jerrod of North Miami; two brothers, Richard Beard of Fort Wayne and Harold Beard of Berkley, Mich.; and a friend, Guenter Kretschmer of North Miami.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Robert Beard; her twin sister, Eloise Erk, and another sister, Frieda.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville, Ohio, with the Rev. Tom Graves officiating. There are no calling hours.

Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, Fri., Sept. 25, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Golda Randol

ANGOLA — Golda Maxine Randol, 78, of Angola, died Wednesday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Randol was a member of the Angola Fireman's Auxiliary, the Angola Women of the Moose, the Weatherhead Pioneer Club, and the Weatherhead Retirees Club.

She retired in 1982 from the Dana-Weatherhead plant in Angola.

She was born June 12, 1920, in Elkhart to the late Henry and Ora (Cook) Malone.

Surviving are a daughter, Sharon Hess of Fremont; and two grandsons, Matt and Mickey Hess.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William S. Randol on Feb. 28, 1986; a sister, Delores Spade; and two brothers, Delbert and Forest Malone.

Friends may call Saturday from 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home, with Pastor Darold L. Beck officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Hospice, Angola.

Earl Kline Jr.

KENDALLVILLE — Earl L. "Bud" Kline Jr., 79, died Thursday at 2:45 p.m. in his daughter's home in Avilla.

Mr. Kline was a steam shovel engineer for the New York Central and Conrail railroads. He lived in Kendallville and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the New York Central Retirees and Maintenance and Way of Conrail.

He was born June 28, 1919, in Edgerton, Ohio, to the late Earl L. and Blanche Edna (Sucher) Kline.

He married Geraldine Myers on May 11, 1940, in Fort Wayne. She died June 1, 1996.

Surviving are one son, Steven of Toledo, Ohio; three daughters, Sharon A. Matson of Avilla, Barbara L. Spaulding of Huntington and Natalie L. Kline of Louisville, Ky.; two sisters, Hilda Troyer of Gridly, Ill., and Marcelle Viers of Bradenton, Fla.; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-6 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be conducted Monday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 9 a.m. The Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. will officiate. Burial will take place at 1 p.m. (Indiana time) in Ottawa Hill Cemetery in Toledo.

Memorial contributions may be given to Noble County Hospice in care of McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

The Evening Star, Sat., Sept. 26 , 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Delvin Armstrong

AUBURN — Delvin K. Armstrong, 94, died Friday at 3:30 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mr. Armstrong co-owned and operated Armstrong Grocery in Auburn with his wife for 26 years, retiring in 1958. He formerly lived on West Nineteenth Street in Auburn. He was a member of the Auburn First United Methodist Church, DeKalb Masonic Lodge 214, F.& A.M., Fort Wayne Scottish Rite and Auburn Moose Lodge.

He was born Dec. 25, 1903, in Concord Township, DeKalb County, to the late Samuel and Ethel (Inhoff) Armstrong.

He married DeLight Baker on Nov. 6, 1924, in St. Joe, and she died Dec. 9, 1990.

Surviving him are one son, Ronald "Bud" Armstrong of Auburn; one daughter, Bette Altman of Auburn; three grandchildren, Jeff Armstrong and Tina Johnson, both of Auburn, and Tim Armstrong of Fort Wayne; and three great-grandchildren, Lindsey, Nick and Westin Johnson.

One grandson, Terry Altman, and one sister, Mary Ridgway, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A Masonic Lodge memorial service will be conducted Sunday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

His funeral will take place Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Wilbur Yates officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First United Methodist Church.

Harvey Yingling

ANGOLA — Harvey W. "Butch" Yingling, 50, of Angola, and formerly of Toledo, Ohio, died Thursday as the result of a traffic accident in Fulton County, Ohio.

Mr. Yingling was a deputy bailiff for the city of Toledo courts and was currently on disability.

He was born June 12, 1948, in Toledo, to Dewey C. and Erma A. (Rudy) Yingling, who preceded him in death.

He was married for the past 26 years to Cheryl K. McKenzie, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a daughter, Gina M. Petre (and her husband, Toby), and a son, Phillip D. Yingling, both of Angola; two grandchildren, Mylisa and Mitchell; three sisters, Ruth R. LeFever (and husband, Tim) of Angola, Patricia A. Kawpich of Toledo, and Debra Sue Osenbaugh (and husband, John) of Florida; and a brother, Michael R.Yingling (and wife, Susan) of Angola.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Roy C. Yingling.

Friends may call at the Neville Funeral Home's Reynolds Corners Chapel, 5052 Dorr St., Toledo, after 5 p.m. Sunday and after 8 a.m. Monday (Indiana time).

Services will begin at 3 p.m. (Indiana time) Monday.

Memorial donations may be made to the family.

The Evening Star, Mon., Sept. 28, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Thomas Bassett Sr.

NEWVILLE — Thomas Aden Bassett Sr., 55, died Saturday at 9:52 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, as the result of a motorcycle accident earlier in the day.

He was a maintenance worker, working for Freuhauf in Fort Wayne for 22 years, and at Nucor Fastener in St. Joe for the last 11 1/2 years. He lived in Newville and was a life member of the National Skeet Shooting Association and the Amateur Trap Shooting Association. He was a shoot director and contributing life member of the St. Joe Valley Conservation Club.

Mr. Bassett was born Sept. 22, 1943, in Hicksville, Ohio, to the late Charles Parker and Nancy Elizabeth (Kaufman) Bassett.

He married Shirley Kay Krontz on Feb. 14, 1960, in the Chapel of the Garden in Angola, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Thomas Jr., Jonathan and Gerald, all of Newville; one daughter, Dawn Hankey of Newville; two sisters, Pauline DeBruyn of California and Geraldine Best of Texas; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

His funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Newville United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Tony Brooks officiating. Burial will take place in the Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.United Methodist Church.

Richard Germain

HAMILTON — Richard F. Germain, 94, died Sunday at 8:10 p.m. in Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Germain was a resident of Ball Lake, Hamilton. He was a retired manager of Agway Co. in Syracuse, N.Y., with 20 years of service, and worked 10 years for the Farmer's Exchange in Springfield, Mass. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, and Harvest House, and a past president of the Grange.

He was born April 13, 1904, in North Adams, Mass., to the late David and Zeferen (Bashow) Germain.

His first wife, Florence, died in 1987. His second wife, Louise M., survives in Fort Wayne.

Surviving are one son, Robert of West Suffield, Mass.; one daughter, Dorothy Borowski of Hamilton; one stepson, Everett Acker of Milwaukee, Wis.; two stepdaughters, Mary Johnston of Nappanee and Christine Barr of Fort Wayne; one grandson, seven stepgrandchildren, three great-grandchildren and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

Five brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. A rosary service will be conducted Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. in the funeral home.

His funeral will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will take place in South View Cemetery, North Adams, Mass.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Steuben County Heart Association or St. Michael's Catholic Church.

Iona Moore

QUINCY, Mich. — Iona M. "Shorty" (Kelley) Moore, 53, of Quincy, died Saturday at the Laurels of Coldwater, Coldwater, Mich.

She worked as a waitress in the Angola area for many years. She was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Post 9543 in Rogersville, Tenn. She enjoyed playing cards and dancing.

She was born Oct. 25, 1944, in Hicksville, Ohio, to the late Clyde and Goldie (Ordway) Kelley.

Surviving are two sons, Richard and Roger Moore of Coldwater; two daughters, Lisa (and husband, James) De Nudt of Quincy, and Loretta Moore of Coldwater; six grandchildren; and three sisters.

She was preceded in death by five brothers.

Friends may call Tuesday from 1-3 and 5-7 p.m. (Indiana times) at Putnam Funeral Home, Coldwater.

Services will begin at noon Wednesday (Indiana time) in the funeral home with Pastor Gene Koessel officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the family.

Evening Star, Ftn., Sept. 28, 1998 (cont'd)

Roscoe Hoot

SYRACUSE — Roscoe Sherman Hoot, 82, died Friday at 12:30 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Syracuse.

He was a meat and grocery supervisor for several years, and retired from Michigan Consolidated Gas Co., Grand Rapids, Mich. He lived in Waterloo and Grand Rapids for several years and retired in Cocoa Beach, Fla., in 1978.

Mr. Hoot was born Oct. 8, 1915, in Agee, Ind., to the late Sherman and Minnie (Herl) Hoot.

He married Margaret Welch on June 27, 1949, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Jeanne Sorenson of South Bend; two sons, Pastor Nick Hoot of Rome City and Pastor David Hoot of Stewartville, Minn.; one stepson, Karl Keiper of Syracuse; one sister, Gladys Sidel of Fremont; one brother, Bud of Montgomery, Mich.; 10 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

A private family service was conducted Sunday at the family home in Syracuse. Eastlund Funeral Homes-Harris Chapel of Syracuse was in charge of arrangements.

Jean Cowan

AUBURN — Jean Eversman Cowan, 83, died Saturday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was a homemaker and had resided in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She lived in Fort Wayne for 51 years.

She was born Feb. 26, 1915, in Savannah, Ga.

Surviving her are two daughters, Ann Pranger of Waterloo and Susan Stier of St. Joe; one son, Earle Stanley Eversman of Fort Wayne; 11 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne, with her funeral service beginning at 2 p.m.

D. O. McComb & Sons Funeral Homes, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Ann Myers

LAGRANGE — Ann M. Myers, 45, of Lake James, Angola, died Sunday in the home of her mother in LaGrange.

She was born Dec. 13, 1952, in Steuben County to Donald D. and Beatrice N. (Meek) Myers. Her father preceded her in death Dec. 6, 1990. Her mother survives in LaGrange.

Miss Myers worked as an EMT for the Steuben County EMS for 18 years. She was a member of the National Student Nurses' Association and New Life Worship Center in Angola.

Surviving with her mother are a brother and sister-in-law, Dan D. and Bonnie Myers of Minong, Wis.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Robert D. Sims officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, LaGrange.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Steuben County Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1102, Angola.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Eugene R. Horrell**, 66, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 1-9 p.m. Tuesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Junior A. "Bud" Adams**, 69, died Thursday. Services were today in Columbia City.

ALBION — **Harold A. Pearson**, 78, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Albion, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, Tues., Sept. 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Valerie Trowbridge

ANGOLA — Valerie Lynn Trowbridge, 18, of Hamilton, died Sunday at 7:28 p.m. at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, Mich., following an automobile accident.

Miss Trowbridge, a former Angola resident, was a studying child care development at Kellogg Community College. She graduated from Bronson (Mich.) High School in 1997.

She was born Oct. 6, 1979, in Dearborn, Mich.

Surviving are her father and stepmother, the Rev. Clark Trowbridge and Melinda Trowbridge of Hamilton; her mother and stepfather, Dora and Bill Blank of LaFollette, Tenn.; a brother, Scott Trowbridge of Fremont; a sister, Angela Trowbridge, of LaFollette, Tenn.; her stepgrandfather and paternal grandmother, Richard and Patricia Sihler, of Carlton, Mich.; her maternal grandparents, James and Louise Etter, of LaFollette, Tenn.; and her stepgrandparents, Charles and Susan Young of Angola;

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday in the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Angola, with the Rev. David Bowman officiating. Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Scott Township, Steuben County.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **George J. Diller**, 76, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling 6-8 p.m. Wednesday and 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

AVILLA — **Hilda E. Stolte**, 100, died Sunday. Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Wednesday in St. Jude Catholic Church, East State Boulevard at Randallia Drive, Fort Wayne. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., Sept. 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Harry Jensen

SYRACUSE — Harry D. Jensen, 73, died Monday at 6:12 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Syracuse.

He formerly lived in Butler. He retired in 1984 from Maxton Motors in Butler, where he worked in auto body repair and drove a tow truck. He also worked part-time for Collins Oldsmobile and Poinsette Motors.

He was a World War II veteran of the Army Air Corps, serving from 1943 to 1946. He was a member of the Butler Eagles Lodge, Butler American Legion Post 202, Syracuse American Legion Post 223, and the Auburn Moose Lodge.

Mr. Jensen was born Feb. 12, 1925, in Marshalltown, Iowa, to the late Jim P. and Etta Mae (Lewis) Jensen.

He married Margaret Smith on July 22, 1944, in Grand Isle, Neb., and she died Sept. 16, 1989. He married Marilyn Foote Grimes on Sept. 24, 1997, and she survives.

Also surviving him are one son, Robert of Butler; three daughters, Marylin Green and Hazel White, both of Syracuse, and Barbara Secrest of North Webster; three stepsons, Gary Grimes of Plainfield, Bill Grimes of Lebanon and Patrick Grimes of Ligonier; one stepdaughter, Cindy Roberts of Cromwell; four sisters, Elma Young of Straten, Neb., Berneice Poulston of Fort Wayne, Alice Jividen of North Platte, Neb., and Lucille Homestead of Tacoma, Wash.; eight grandchildren, 10 stepgrandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by a stepdaughter, Linda Grimes, two brothers, Andy and Donald, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call today from 4-9 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

His funeral service will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Donna Glazier of Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, Cromwell, officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Karla Romine

FORT WAYNE — Karla K. Romine, 52, died Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital.

She was born Aug. 25, 1946, in Hicksville, Ohio.

Surviving her are her stepmother, Virginia Romine; a companion, Richard Haupert of Fort Wayne; five sisters, Luella McCullough of Columbia City, Virginia Stout of Santa Ana, Calif., Peggy Johnson of Gering, Neb., Lois Sutton of Wabash and Jean Culbertson of Auburn; two brothers, Billie Romine of Coumbia City and Mike Romine of Auburn.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Jo Haupert and Betty Graham, and a brother, Donald Romine.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. in Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Homes, 6424 Winchester Road, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral service will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. in Highland Park Cemetery Chapel, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Harriet Yarian

AUBURN — Harriet C. Yarian, 88, died Tuesday at 4:45 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

She was a homemaker and lived in Auburn. She was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church and a former member of the Pythian Sisters.

Miss Yarian was born Dec. 17, 1909, in Auburn to the late Henry O. and Laura E. (Ober) Yarian.

Surviving her are two nephews, Gene D. Yarian of Garrett and Larry P. Yarian of Lake Suzy, Fla., and several other nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother, David Yarian, and one sister, Mary Ellen Yarian.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Her funeral service will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Dr. Jack Lewis Pursell officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Heimach Senior Center, Auburn.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Oct. 1, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Sammie Dyer

WOLCOTT — Sammie D. Dyer, 68, of Wolcott, died Tuesday in St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Lafayette.

Mr. Dyer had worked for Mud Hog in Round Grove and Griffith Food Products in Remington. He was a mechanic for the Indiana Department of Transportation in Monticello, retiring in 1994.

He had most recently been caretaker of the Wolcott Park. He also served in the U.S. Armed Forces in 1951 and was a member of Wolcott Christian Church and Wolcott American Legion Post 294.

He was born Nov. 9, 1929, in Wolcott to Harry O. and Ethel (Darrow) Dyer.

On June 16, 1956, he married Doris Young, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Kenneth Dyer of Monticello; a daughter, Mrs. David (Kimberly) Sommerlott of Angola; a brother, Herbert Dyer of Wolcott; a sister, Bernice Kimmel of Mooresville; and five grandchildren.

Friends may call today at Foster Funeral Home in Wolcott from 4-8 p.m.

A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home Friday at 10 a.m., with the Rev. Charles Sikler officiating.

Burial will be in Palestine Cemetery, Wolcott. Memorial gifts may be given to the Shannon Bullington Benefit Fund.

Edsel Musser

ANGOLA — Edsel J. Musser, 82, died Tuesday in his Angola home.

The founder of the Angola Motor Speedway in 1964, Mr. Musser was a self-employed stone mason and a member of the Hamilton Knights of Pythias.

He was born Feb. 19, 1916, in Metz to the late Lee and Maude (Teegardin) Musser.

On Feb. 16, 1937, he married Margaret Ricketts, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Richard Musser of Las Vegas, Nev., and Douglas Musser of Angola; two daughters, Beverly McGrew of Ashley and Sharon Gearhart-Mattern of Elkhart; two sisters, Neva Ackor of Clearwater, Fla., and Eva Wynn of Milan, Mich.; 31 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Vanda Lee Landis, in 1972, two sisters and a brother.

Friends may call from 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. Friday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. The Knights of Pythias will conduct a memorial service at 6:30 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Marilyn Dunten officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Steuben County Cancer Society or Cameron Hospice. AVILLA — Luman L. "Smokey" Bradley, 70, died Tuesday in Mesa, Ariz. Services Friday in Mesa, Ariz.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Edna F. Hart**, 89, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Friday.

SYRACUSE — **Mary Elizabeth Hewitt**, 77, died Wednesday. Graveside services at 1 p.m. Friday in North Webster Cemetery, with calling there one hour before services.

The Evening Star, Fri., Oct. 2, 1998,

Deaths/Funerals

Melissa Bolding

ANGOLA — Melissa Mae Bolding, 16, of rural Angola, died Wednesday at 4:50 p.m. in a car-semi crash at 8700 W. U.S. 20, Angola.

Miss Bolding was a junior at Prairie Heights High School and she had worked at Fun Spot Amusement Park, Angola, the past two summers.

Bolding

She was a member of the Sonlight Community Church and its youth group. She was named to the honor roll at Prairie Heights Schools for 11 years and was listed in the National Honor Roll Society. In seventh and eighth grades, she was a cheerleader, and she also was involved in school plays and served as a Girl Scout for 10 years. She played softball for Orland for several years, and she worked on this year's homecoming float.

She was born Jan. 3, 1982, in Angola to Mance Bolding and Paula Farmer, who survive in Angola.

Also surviving are two brothers, Todd Bolding of Huntington and Clay Bolding, at home; and her grandfather, Emory Bolding of Huntington.

She was preceded in death by grandparents Denver and Mabel Farmer and Dorothy Bolding.

Friends may call Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Prairie Heights High School auditorium.

Her funeral service will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday in the auditorium with the Rev. Joe Everly and the Rev. Roger Strong officiating. Cremation will follow at the Northern Indiana Crematory, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are being made by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Melissa Bolding Scholarship Fund, in care of Prairie Heights High School.

Thomas Bassett Sr.

NEWVILLE — Thomas Aden Bassett Sr., 55, died Saturday at 9:52 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, as the result of a motorcycle accident earlier in the day.

He was a maintenance worker, working for Freuhauf in Fort Wayne for 22 years, and at Nucor Fastener in St. Joe for the last 11 1/2 years. He lived in Newville and was a life member of the National Skeet Shooting Association and the Amateur Trap Shooting Association. He was a shoot director and contributing life member of the St. Joe Valley Conservation Club.

Mr. Bassett was born Sept. 22, 1943, in Hicksville, Ohio, to the late Charles Parker and Nancy Elizabeth (Kaufman) Bassett.

He married Shirley Kay Krontz on Feb. 29, 1960, in the Chapel of the Garden in Angola, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Thomas Jr., Jonathan and Gerald, all of Newville; one daughter, Dawn Hankey of Newville; two sisters, Pauline DeBruyn of California and Geraldine Best of Texas; and eight grandchildren.

Services were conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Newville United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Tony Brooks officiating. Burial took place in the Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Leonard Hess

AUBURN — Leonard L. Hess, 79, of Auburn, died Thursday at 11:47 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Hess retired as an area manager at Dana Corp. after 42 1/2 years of service.

He was a member of Elks Lodge 1978, Auburn, and a former member of the Auburn Rotary Club and the Hamilton Fish & Game Club.

He was born May 29, 1919, in Steuben County to the late Louis L. and Theresa (Haite) Hess.

On May 3, 1931, he married Roberta M. Tharpe, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Barbara (Mrs. Randy) Rude of Auburn; two brothers, Gervase Hess of Indianapolis and John "Lee" Hess of Fort Wayne; a sister, Mildred Slick of Auburn; two grandsons, Michael S. Rude of Archbold, Ohio, and Jeffrey A. Rude of Auburn; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Roma Hess.

Friends may call Sunday at McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. An Elks Lodge service will be held at the funeral home Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home Monday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Dr. Jack Lewis Pursell officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be given to the American Heart Association or to the Auburn Presbyterian Church.

3C7

Evening Star, Ft., Oct 2, 1998 (cont'd)

Rosalie Custer

GARRETT — Rosalie G. "Rosie" Custer, 71, died Wednesday at 10:53 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Custer was a registered nurse for 30 years at Garrett Hospital. She was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church, American Operating Room Nurses and DeKalb County Nurses Association. She was a lifetime Garrett resident.

She was born June 9, 1927, in Garrett to the late Avon Conner and Lydia Geiser.

She married W. Harold Custer on Nov. 18, 1950, in Garrett and he survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Linda Schneider of New Salisbury, Ind., and Karen Wheeler of Greensboro, N.C.; two sons, Kevin and Curt, both of Garrett; two sisters, Kathleen Moses of Fort Wayne and Marilyn Morris of Gulfshores, Ala.; and nine grandchildren.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-8 p.m. in Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral will take place Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Garrett Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Cecilia A. Franklin**, 73, died Wednesday. No services or calling.

CHURUBUSCO — **Ida Mae Arnold**, 78, died at 4:25 p.m. Thursday. Services at 10 a.m. Monday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

CHURUBUSCO — **Carol Ann Younis**, 56, died at 11:30 p.m. Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Tri-Lakes Baptist Church. Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Saturday in the church.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Marilyn L. Jackson**, 75, died Tuesday. Services were today in Columbia City.

SYRACUSE — **Mart Elizabeth Hewitt**, 77, died Wednesday. Services were today in Syracuse.

The Evening Star, Sat., Oct. 3, 1998,

Deaths/Funerals

Barton Arnold

ANGOLA — Barton Arnold, 97, of Angola, died Thursday at 2:15 p.m. in Carlin Park Healthcare Center in Angola.

Mr. Arnold was the former owner of Casebeer & Arnold Chrysler dealership in Angola, and he also handled many real estate sales in the area. He was a 50-year member of the Angola Lions Club and a member of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Angola.

He was born Aug. 12, 1901, in Flint, Ind., to Warren and Ella (Gurtner) Arnold. The third of eight children, Mr. Arnold helped run the Arnold Brothers General Store in Flint during his childhood. He was interested in machanics and worked on bicycles, motorcycles and early automobiles in Flint before he was hired as a mechanic for Golden's Garage in Angola.

On June 6, 1928, he married Elizabeth "Lish" Bayman. She preceded him in death in 1992.

He is survived by a sister, Joyce Brown of Angola, many nieces and nephews and great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Monday from 6-8 p.m. at the Klink Funeral Home in Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home, with Dr. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cameron Memorial Hospital or the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Angola.

Deaths/Funerals

Earl Bice

ST. JOE — Earl L. Bice, 90, died Friday evening in Fountain Manor Care Center in Hicksville, Ohio.

He retired in 1975 from Irving Gravel. He was a member of the Coburn Corners Church of Christ.

Mr. Bice was born March 28, 1908, in Paulding, Ohio, to the late John and Nora (Dorsey) Bice.

He married Helena E. Trammel on Jan. 15, 1935, in Fort Wayne, and she died June 16, 1994.

Surviving him are one son, Larry of Butler; two daughters, Florence Bice of St. Joe and Lois Moore of Butler; two sisters, Lela Armstrong and Iola Pace, both of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Tom of Fort Wayne and George of White House, Tenn.; and one granddaughter, Tracy Jo Moore of Auburn.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Janie Baughman-Garmen, Mary Myers and Ada Biltz; and five brothers, Dallas, Vernon, Stanley, Glen and Benjamin.

Friends may call today from 2-9 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

His funeral service will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Coburn Corners Church of Christ, St. Joe, with calling after noon at the church. Todd Steere and John Yoder will officiate. Burial will be in Scipio Cemetery, Harlan.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Vera Higgins

GARRETT — Vera C. Higgins, 98, died Saturday at 4:55 p.m. in the Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Mrs. Higgins had been a homemaker and a lifetime resident of Garrett until she moved into Peabody 12 years ago.

She was born May 14, 1900, in Walkerton to the late Arthur G. and Cora (Reed) Coffing.

She was married Aug. 21, 1949, in Garrett to Walter Higgins, who died Oct. 30, 1973.

Survivors include two stepsons, Royce Higgins and Norman Higgins, both of Garrett; 14 stepgrandchildren; and 21 stepgreat-grandchildren.

Also preceding her in death were two sons, Vance Higgins and Robert Higgins, and two brothers, Jess W. Coffing and Walter Coffing.

A graveside service will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Christian Union Cemetery with the Rev. Richard Craig officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Jerry Wolfe

ANGOLA — Jerry Lee Wolfe, 56, of Angola, died Sunday at 2:02 p.m. in his home.

Mr. Wolfe was a machine operator for General Products in Angola for 13 years and attended the Calvary Temple Pentecostal Church of God in Angola. He was a U.S. Armed Forces veteran.

He was born June 23, 1942, in Sullivan County to the late John Jefferson and Virginia (Mason) Wolfe.

On May 5, 1973, he married Jeanette Hatfield. She survives in Angola.

Also surviving are four sons, John Wolfe of Sullivan, and Todd Wolfe, Jerry Wolfe II and Jeff Wolfe, all of Angola; three daughters, Shannon Padgett and Stacey Wolfe of Sullivan and Michaelle Willett of Angola; a sister, Betty Blubaugh of Sullivan; and 13 grandchildren.

A funeral service will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Calvary Temple Pentecostal Church of God, with the Rev. Marcus Proehl officiating. Friends may call at the church one hour before the service.

Burial will be in South Scott Cemetery, Scott Township, Steuben County. Memorial gifts may be given to Parkview Hospice of LaGrange.

Bertha McKinley

ANGOLA — Bertha A. McKinley, 94, formerly of Steuben County, died Friday at Miller's Merry Manor in LaGrange.

She was a homemaker.

Mrs. McKinley was born Nov. 6, 1903, in Steuben County to the late Steve and Adesta (Crain) Bramman.

Surviving are 26 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, and two daughters-in-law, Janet and Eleanor McKinley, both of Angola.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Milo, and four sons, Bill, Vern, Dale and Bob.

Services were conducted today in the Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Burial was in California Cemetery, Branch County, Mich.

Gerald Steinman

GARRETT — Gerald L. Steinman, 88, died Sunday at 8 p.m. in Provena Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

He was a former supervisor at Cooper Tire & Rubber Co.

Mr. Steinman was born Dec. 23, 1909, in Hancock County, Ohio, to the late Henry and Eva (Schlaack) Steinman.

He married Ruth Warstine on Sept. 3, 1938 in Catlettsburg, Ky., and she preceded him in death.

Surviving are six sons, Roger and Darl, both of Auburn, Larry and Dean, both of Washington, D.C., Lavern of Springfield, Ohio, and Eddie of Butler; one daughter, Barbara Steinman of Washington, D.C.; one brother, Lorne Steinman of Bluffton, Ohio; one sister, Cuma Steinman of Arlington, Ohio; one daughter-in-law, Bev Erwin of Auburn; 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

One son, Buddy Steinman, and one granddaughter, Julie Steinman, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home.

His funeral service will be conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with calling after noon. The Rev. Carroll Lee McNutt will officiate, with burial in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice, Fort Wayne, or Sacred Heart Home Auxiliary.

311

Evening Star, Mon., Oct. 5, 1998 (cont'd)

Mildred Slick

AUBURN — Mildred J. Slick, 87, died Saturday at 6:30 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Slick formerly worked for the Auburn Automobile Co. and Auburn Rubber Co. She was a Avon saleswoman in Auburn for 16 years. She lived on South Clark Street in Auburn and was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and Ladies of the Elks.

She was born March 20, 1911, in Steuben County to the late Lewis and Theresa (Haite) Hess.

She married Clair Slick on June 27, 1936, in Auburn, and he survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Jane Slick of Toledo, Ohio; two brothers, Jervis Hess of Indianapolis and John Leon Hess of Fort Wayne; two grandsons, Brian and Greg Slick; five stepgrandchildren, Christina Tilley, Charlotte Bohland, Carrie Hinde, Bruce Little and Courtney Little; six great-grandchildren, five stepgreat-grandchildren, one great-great-grandson, and one stepgreat-great-grandson. Two brothers, Leonard and Roma Hess, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A rosary service will be conducted tonight at 8 in the funeral home.

Her funeral service will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Gloria Smith

HAMILTON — Gloria Louise Smith, 69, died Friday at her home in Hamilton.

Mrs. Smith was a partner in The Mixing Bowl at Hamilton Lake for 23 years until her retirement in 1983. She was also a homemaker and charter member of the Coldwater Chapter of Sweet Adelines since 1954. She was a member of Hamilton United Methodist Church and its choir.

She was born Jan. 24, 1929, in Fort Wayne to the late Fordes and Letha (Darling) Merifield.

She married Lavon Dale "Smitty" Smith on May 9, 1948. He preceded died Nov. 29, 1981.

Surviving are two daughters, Susan Wenzel (and her husband, Tom) of Angola, and Sandra Walker and her husband, Tom) of Hamilton; a brother, James Merifield, of Sterling, Va., a sister, Carol Sigler (and her husband, Tom) of Houston, Texas; and four grandchildren.

Her funeral took place today at 11 a.m. in the Hamilton United Methodist Church with the Rev. Edwin Clark officiating. Interment was in Hamilton Cemetery. Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton Chapel, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Northeast Indiana Kidney Foundation, Hamilton Youth For Christ, or the Youth Diabetes Foundation.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Phillip E. Ellison**, 38, died Friday at 5:55 p.m. following an auto accident earlier in the day in Ohio. Services at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 Ind. 930 East, New Haven, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

CHURUBUSCO — **Robert J. "Bobby" Roche Jr.**, 64, died Friday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Byron Health Center Activity Center, Fort Wayne, with visitation Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. in Orr Funeral Home in Churubusco.

Deaths/Funerals

Arwin Ulrich

LAGRANGE — Arwin G. "Bud" Ulrich, 91, died Sunday in Miller's Merry Manor.

He was born in Marion, Iowa, Oct. 22, 1906, to Grayor and Elizabeth (Kubel) Ulrich. On Jan. 13, 1935, in Sioux Falls, S.D., he married Helen T. Olson. She survives.

Mr. Ulrich moved to Big Turkey Lake from Auburn in 1948. He was a retired builder/contractor and attended South Milford United Methodist Church in South Milford.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. James (Sharon) Riddelle of Vancouver, Wash.; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Richard Lyth and the Rev. Robert Kirtlan officiating. Burial will be in Lake Bethel Cemetery, LaGrange.

Visitation is from noon-2 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to South Milford United Methodist Church, (send to 226 E. Airport Road, Kendallville 46755), or Habitat for Humanity of LaGrange.

Don Bolen

LAGRANGE — Don R. Bolen, 45, of LaGrange, died unexpectedly Monday morning near his home while working in a field.

He was born in War, W.Va., Oct. 7, 1952, to Granville and Ogie (Handshoe) Bolen. On March 14, 1970, in Brimfield, he married Dolly Garvey. She survives.

Mr. Bolen spent most of his life in this area, coming from West Virginia. He was a self-employed farmer and an avid sportsman.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Donald "Bud" Bolen of Auburn, and Daniel Bolen of LaGrange; five sisters, Connie Messer and Emily Johnson, both of LaGrange, Stella Jacob of Cromwell, and Barbara Halbalken and Bonnie Hyde, both of Kendallville; three brothers, Madge Bolen, Ronnie Bolen and Gary Bolen, all of LaGrange; and five grandchildren, Tyler, Aaron, Jordan, Matthew and Sierra Bolen.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Kenneth.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Valentine United Baptist Church, with the Rev. Willie Collins and the Rev. Charles Mosely officiating. Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation begins today at 6 p.m. in the church where special services will be held at 7 p.m. today and 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to the Bolen family.

Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, is in charge of arrangements.

Norbert Wagner

ADRIAN, Mich. — Norbert "Pete" Wagner, 80, died Saturday at Provincial House in Adrian, Mich.

He worked as a time-study engineer for Bohn Aluminum in Butler until his retirement. For 30 years, he played the fiddle with his band, "The Mapleaires," and called square dances at senior centers for the past eight years. He was a World War II Army veteran.

Mr. Wagner was born Aug. 4, 1918, in Ashley to John and Mary (Miller) Wagner, both now deceased.

He married Genevieve Theresa Stark in Blakeslee, Ohio, on Sept. 6, 1941. She preceded him in death.

Surviving are seven sons, Wendell John (and wife, Chris) Wagner and Bert (and wife, Christie) Wagner of Chelsea, Mich., Thomas Lee Wagner of Santa Monica, Calif., Steven Allen (and wife, Cheryl) Wagner of York, Pa., Richard Paul Wagner of Butte, Mont., Kevin Edward (and wife, Chris) Wagner of Indianapolis, and Mark Anthony (and wife, Mary) Wagner of Philadelphia, Pa.; four daughters, Sandra Kay (and husband, Carl) Nikirk of Indianapolis, Diana Sue Howard and Lisa Marie (and husband, Jay) Doan of Monroe, Mich. and Kathleen Anne (and husband, Jim) Schuller of Toledo, Ohio; 19 grandchildren and three great grandchildren; and a twin brother, Robert (and wife, Charlene) Wagner of Angola.

One brother, Linus Wagner, and one sister, Eunice VanPelt, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted today at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Adrian, with Father Joseph Baraniewicz as celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery. Military graveside services were conducted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Annis-Fint Post 1584 of Adrian.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Sally Tremaine**, 69, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla. Calling 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, and one hour before services at the church on Thursday.

LAGRANGE — **Lynn Richard Minich**, 56, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there one hour before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Eugene Alvin Boehme**, 72, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Linda Jackson

AUBURN — Linda Jackson, 47, died Tuesday at 3:10 p.m. in her home on County Road 27, Auburn.

She was a clerk for the DeKalb County Department of Family Services for 13 years. She was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

She was born Dec. 5, 1950, in Fort Wayne. Her mother, Helen Irene (Somers) Jackson, is deceased.

Surviving her are two brothers, Daniel Jackson and Bruce Jackson, both of Fort Wayne; and three sisters, Rebecca Stauffer and Leslie Eckert, both of Auburn, and Debra Arabula of Fort Wayne.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral will take place Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 9 a.m. Pastor Jeff House, associate pastor of Lakewood Park Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery with a military graveside service by the Auburn post of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

James Ginther

ANGOLA — James E. Ginther, 82, of Angola, died Sunday at his residence.

Mr. Ginther worked as a flooring contractor for Arrow Floor Co. of Fort Wayne. He was a life member of the Loyal Order of Moose, and a former member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Scottish Rite, Valley of Fort Wayne, and the Mizpah Shrine Temple of Fort Wayne.

He was born Oct. 31, 1915, in DeKalb County to the late Albert L. and Grace M. (Brown) Ginther.

Surviving are a daughter, Carol M. Lynch of Kingwood, Texas; two sisters, Inez Esterline of Fort Wayne, and Peggy Ellis of Paso Robles, Calif.; his companion, Ruth Hyndman of Fort Wayne; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lorene (Cooper) Ginther, on July 27, 1944.

There will be no calling. Funeral services will take place at a later date.

Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Gordon Straw

ORLAND — Gordon G. "Gordy" Straw, 61, of Orland, died Monday in Orland.

Mr. Straw was a U.S. Navy veteran and commander of the Orland post of the American Legion. He served on the Orland Fire Department and the board of directors for Orland's Joyce Library.

He was born Feb. 23, 1937, in Orland to the late Herman and Frances (Kentner) Straw.

His wife, Jane Anne (Larimer) Straw, preceded him in death in 1992.

Surviving are four sisters, Annebelle Morley of Toledo, Ohio, Elaine Conrad of New Haven, Norma Engle of Orland, and Marjorie Petty of Fremont; two brothers, Robert Straw of South Carolina and Herman Straw Jr. of Orland; and three grandchildren.

Three brothers, Arden Straw, Buster Kentner and Louie Straw, preceded him in death.

Friends may call at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont today from 3-8:30 p.m.

A funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Rodger Strong officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland, with graveside military rites by the Orland post of the American Legion.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Orland Fire Department or Parkview Hospice and Home Health Care of LaGrange.

Maxine Hendricks

ALBION — Maxine Hendricks, 68, of Albion, died at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Kendallville Manor Health-Care Center.

She was born Nov. 17, 1929, to Jacob O. and Pauline M. (Carver) Guenther. On Dec. 13, 1952, in Waynedale Methodist Church, she married Roy D. Hendricks. He survives in Albion.

Mrs. Hendricks, a resident of Noble County 40 years, was employed by Monsanto/Silgan in Ligonier. She was a member of Albion Eagles Ladies Auxiliary.

Surviving with her husband are a daughter, Mrs. Darrell (Dorothy) Lash of Kendallville; two sons, Michael Guenther of Centerville, and Donald E. Hendricks of Auburn; four grandchildren, Michael and Jason Lash and Nick and Amy Guenther; a great-grandchild, Tiffney Lash; a brother, Kenneth Guenther of Albion; and a sister, Mrs. Gale (Linda) Herendeen of Warsaw.

She was preceded in death by a son, Jacob; four sisters and two brothers.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home in Albion, with the Rev. Edna Wildey officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery, Albion.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the Noble County Cancer Society.

Evening Star, Wed, Oct. 27, 1998 (cont'd)

Paul Weaver

FREMONT — Paul M. Weaver, 78, formerly of Fremont, died Monday in Battle Creek, Mich.

Mr. Weaver had been employed as a finish carpenter at Bendix Corp. Duo Coach in Union City, Mich., for 23 years. He also was employed at Lakeshore Products in Quincy, Mich.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army.

He was born Aug. 1, 1920, in East Gilead, Mich., to the late Oliver and Elizabeth (Lyke) Weaver.

Surviving are his wife, Mary J. (Pifer) Weaver; a son, David (and wife, Kathy) of Goodells, Mich.; a daughter, Sharon (and husband, Dennis) Day of Battle Creek; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters.

Friends may call Thursday from 3-7 p.m. at the Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 10 a.m. Friday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Harold Blotkamp

AVILLA — Harold E. Blotkamp, 70, died Tuesday at 5 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He worked in assembly at International Harvester and retired in 1982 with 35 years of service. He lived on County Road 100-S in rural Avilla. He was a member of the Garrett Elks and Eagles lodges, and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

Mr. Blotkamp was born July 9, 1928, in Noble County to the late Edwin and Minnie (Truelove) Blotkamp.

He married Evelyn L. Freeman on May 8, 1982, in Garrett, and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Susan Baldwin of Auburn and Shari Myers of Indianapolis; one son, Sam Blotkamp of Angola; three sisters, Barbara Juillerat of Lebanon, Ind., Rita Lumm of Bloomington and Jean Neal of Texas; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Three brothers, Ray, Richard and Robert, and two sisters, Donna Fuller and Martha Gause, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett. A rosary service will be conducted Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

His funeral will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, with calling after 10 a.m. Father David Carkenord will officiate. Burial will take place in Embrey Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Deaths/Funerals

Reginald Cook

CORUNNA — Reginald D. "Reg" Cook, 73, died Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. of a heart attack while working at Wilhelm Gravel Corp., Waterloo.

He was a Fairfield Township farmer. He was a heavy equipment operator for 45 years, and worked for Wilhelm Gravel since 1984. He was a member of Zion 16 Lutheran Church, Corunna, and served on its church council for 50 years. He was a charter member of the KMA Poker Club.

He moved to the Middlebury area in 1929, and graduated from Syracuse High School in 1942. He returned to the Corunna area, where he has lived on U.S. 6 for the past 56 years.

Mr. Cook was born Nov. 29, 1924, in Auburn to the late Paul and Georgianna (Oster) Cook.

He married Helen Mason on June 8, 1947, in Zion 16 Lutheran Church, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Becky Cook of Hamilton; one daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Bob Shuherk of Corunna; and five grandchildren, Paul and Will Cook, and Brandy, Jennifer and Cassie Shuherk.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. in Zion 16 Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. officiating. Burial will take place in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Gordon Straw

ORLAND — Gordon G. "Gordy" Straw, 61, of Orland, died Monday in Orland.

Mr. Straw was a U.S. Navy veteran and post commander of the Orland American Legion. He served on the Orland Fire Department and the board of directors for Orland's Joyce Library.

He was born Feb. 23, 1937, in Orland to the late Herman and Frances (Kentner) Straw. His wife, Jane Anne (Larimer) Straw, preceded him in death in 1992.

Surviving are two daughters, Kelli (and husband, William) Shough and Wendy (and husband, Chris) James, both of Orland; four sisters, Annebelle Morley of Toledo, Ohio, Elaine Conrad of New Haven, Norma Engle of Orland, and Marjorie Petty of Fremont; two brothers, Robert Straw of South Carolina and Herman Straw Jr. of Orland; and three grandchildren.

Three brothers, Arden Straw, Buster Kentner and Louie Straw, preceded him in death.

A funeral service was conducted today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with the Rev. Rodger Strong officiating. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland, with graveside military rites by the Orland post of the American Legion.

Memorial donations may be given to the Orland Fire Department or Parkview Hospice and Home Health Care of LaGrange.

Victor Champion

ORLAND — Victor R. Champion, 81, of Wall Lake, Orland, died Wednesday at his home.

Mr. Champion had been a farmer. He was born Dec. 19, 1916, in Jamestown Township, Steuben County, to the late Ernest and Chloe (Kugler) Champion.

On Dec. 30, 1939, he married June Cooper. She survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Jerry (and wife, Patricia) of Fremont, and Michael (and wife, Patricia) Champion of Elkhart; a daughter, Janice (and husband, Ken) Coffman of Elkhart; a sister, Phyllis Nichols of Fremont; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Wayne.

Friends may call Friday from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to Rise Inc.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Ottie R. McConnehey**, 88, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there one hour before services.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Charlotte J. Miller**, 63, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Scott United Methodist Church, Scott. Calling 3-8 p.m. Friday in Fruripp-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

316

The Evening Star, Fri., Oct. 9, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Miriam Campbell

HUNTINGTON — Miriam I. Campbell, 81, died Thursday at 3:50 p.m. in Huntington Memorial Hospital.

She and her husband owned and operated the former Campbell Grocery Store in Huntington for 39 years. She was a 1935 graduate of Clear Creek High School and a lifelong resident of Huntington.

Mrs. Campbell was a member of the First United Church of Christ since 1931. She taught Sunday School, sang in and directed the church choir, was a past president of the women's fellowship and a member of the Friendship Circle. She was a 50-year member of Floral Chapter 75 of the Order of Eastern Star, where she served as organist for 42 years and was a past worthy matron for two years.

She was born April 12, 1917, in Huntington to the late Ervin R. and Emma (Kreig) Miller.

She married Earl G. Campbell on June 7, 1947, in Huntington. He died April 11, 1986.

Surviving her are two sons, Harold of Big Otter Lake, Fremont, and Robert of Manitou Springs, Colo.; one brother, Ervin R. Miller Jr. of Huntington; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

One brother, Wayne Miller, and one sister, Helen Alwood, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-8 p.m. in Bailey-Love Mortuary, Huntington.

Her funeral service will be Monday at 10 a.m. in St. Peter's First United Church of Christ, 206 Etna Ave., Huntington. The Rev. Jonathan Heaslet will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Cancer Society of Huntington County, P.O. Box 51, Huntington IN 46750 or the Floral Chapter OES, 400 E. Franklin St., Huntington.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Inez V. Bobay**, 85, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Randy Frost

GARRETT — Randy A. Frost, 37, of Garrett, died Friday at 9:42 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Frost was a custodian in Noble County schools, and also had worked in several area factories and as a truck driver.

He was born May 27, 1961, in Garrett to Alson and Carol (Mattice) Frost.

Surviving are his father, two sisters, Dawn (and husband, Mike) Townsend of Butler, and Rosie (and husband, Eric) Killian of Columbia City; three brothers, Derek, Dan and Rick (and wife, Connie), all of Garrett; an aunt, Ardith Reed of Auburn; and an uncle, Gary Mattice of Garrett.

His mother and a sister, Debbie Frost, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Monday from 1-3 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett.

Funeral services will take place in the funeral home Monday at 3 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Rodney Buzzard, of Calvary Chapel Worship Center of Auburn, will officiate. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery of Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Calvary Chapel Worship Center of Auburn.

James Smurr

WOODBURN — James "Jim" R. Smurr, 67, died Thursday at 6:45 p.m. at his home in Woodburn.

A Woodburn resident since 1985, Mr. Smurr attended the Woodburn United Methodist Church and was a member of the Woodburn American Legion Post 377. He retired in 1993 after 42 years with I.T.T. Corp. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was born Nov. 7, 1930, in Garrett to Lester Smurr and Agnes Hosack.

He is survived by his wife, Lyda Smurr of Woodburn; a son, Bryan Smurr of Woodburn; a daughter, Sandy Smurr of Woodburn; three brothers, Bill, Jack and John, all of Garrett; three grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

Mr. Smurr was preceded in death by a sister, Betty Terrell.

Funeral services will take place at 1 p.m. Monday in Woodburn United Methodist Church, 4300 Becker Road.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 Ind. 930 E., New Haven. Visitation will also be held one hour prior to the funeral service Monday at the church. Burial will be in Harlan Memorial Cemetery, Harlan.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cancer Services of Allen County or to Woodburn United Methodist Church.

Wilma Kerlin

LEO — Wilma V. Kerlin, 92, died Friday morning at The Cedars in Leo.

She was a former resident of Auburn, where she owned and operated a restaurant years ago. She also worked in the dining room at the Fort Wayne Rehabilitation Center for 10 years, retiring in 1976.

She was a member of the Leo United Methodist Church and a former member of the First Christian Church in Auburn.

She was born Aug. 9, 1906, in DeKalb County to Raymond and Eva (Wyatt) Hennessey.

She was married to Safara Boger, who preceded her in death, and later married Charles Kerlin in 1939. Mr. Kerlin died in 1943.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Timothy and Pat Kerlin of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death, in addition to her husbands, were two daughters, Joan Simpson and Carol Poffenberger; a sister, Ruth Smith; and two brothers, Don and Willis Hennessey.

Her funeral will be conducted Monday at 10 a.m. in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. The Rev. Jean Brindel will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Louella Richey

CHURUBUSCO — Louella Richey, 88, died Friday at 3:01 p.m. in Whitley Memorial Hospital, Columbia City.

Mrs. Richey had worked in the kitchens of several area restaurants and retired from Fibre Form Co. in Columbia City. She came to the United States from Saskatchewan, Canada, at age 7 with her parents. She lived in Williamsport, Wolf Lake, Garrett, Auburn, Fort Wayne, Columbia City and Churubusco.

She was born Aug. 28, 1910, in Canora, Saskatchewan, Canada, to the late Joseph Warren and Bertha Ann (Bush) Sheets.

She married Joseph Ernest Born in 1926. She then married Frederick Paris Richey on Oct. 28, 1952, in Decatur, and he died June 20, 1984.

Surviving her are one daughter, Sharon Alexander of Apache Junction, Ariz.; three sons, Louis F. Born of Columbia City, Frederick E. Born of Churubusco and Jules Duane Richey of Fort Wayne; one brother, William Miles "Buck" Sheets of Sneedville, Tenn.; three sisters, Hazel Carolina Treesh of Garrett, Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Grant and Elta Rose Barton, both of Columbia City; 27 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Ernest Born; two sisters, Hattie Mae Bridigan and Effa Watson, and one brother, John Wesley "Jack" Sheets.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home in Columbia City.

Her funeral will take place Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with Gerald Bills officiating. Burial will be in Nolt Cemetery, Columbia City.

Deaths/Funerals

Leah Langley

HUDSON — Leah L. Langley, 19, of Hudson, died Saturday on C.R. 24 at U.S. 6, Waterloo, in a traffic accident.

She was born Dec. 4, 1978, in Auburn to Thomas and Brenda (Leiter) Langley. They survive in Hudson.

Langley

Miss Langley worked on the family farm and was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses church. She loved animals and doing crafts.

Surviving with her parents are a brother, Anthony Langley of Hudson; two sisters, Larissa Langley and Larin Langley, both of Hudson; maternal grandparents, Larry and Evelyn Leiter of Rio Rico, Ariz.; paternal grandmother, Shirley Langley of Stroh; and a great-grandmother, Kathryn Leiter of Mongo.

Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Dale Hoyt officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Visitation is from 1-4 and 6-7 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Victor Champion

ORLAND — Victor R. Champion, 81, of Wall Lake, Orland, died Wednesday at his home.

Mr. Champion had been a farmer. He was born Dec. 19, 1916, in Jamestown Township, Steuben County, to the late Ernest and Chloe (Kugler) Champion.

On Dec. 30, 1939, he married June (Cooper) Champion, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Jerry (and wife, Patricia) of Fremont, and Michael (and wife, Patricia) Champion of Elkhart; a daughter, Janice (and husband, Douglas) Coffman of Elkhart; a sister, Phyllis Nichols of Fremont; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Wayne.

Services were conducted Saturday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to Rise Inc.

Carl Mohr

VAN WERT, Ohio — Carl F. Mohr, 90, of Van Wert, died Saturday at 6:10 p.m. at his home.

Mr. Mohr was a lifelong farmer and drove a school bus for Hoaglin Jackson School for 20 years. He also had worked for Thomas Edison of Van Wert for four years.

A member of Calvary United Methodist Church in Van Wert, he was clerk of Hoaglin Township, Van Wert County, for 20 years.

He was born April 15, 1908, in Van Wert to the late Walter and Dessie (DeLong) Mohr.

On Oct. 5, 1929, in Paris, Ky., he married Dorothy L. Webb, who survives in Van Wert.

Also surviving are four daughters and sons-in-law, Beverly and Philip Zimmerman of Hamilton, Joan and Robert Stripe of Van Wert, Gloria and William Fast of Haviland, Ohio, and Janice and Dean Lichtensteiger of Ohio City, Ohio; two sons and daughters-in-law, Byron and Janet Mohr and Gary and Carol Mohr, all of Van Wert; a daughter-in-law, Sue Mohr of Convoy, Ohio; a sister, Eleanor Hough of Fort Wayne; 19 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Harold Mohr, a sister, Grace Grubaugh, a grandson, Anthony L. Mohr, and a great-grandson, Jacob Dean Lichtensteiger.

Friends may call Tuesday from noon-7 p.m. (Indiana time) at Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home in Van Wert.

His funeral service will be in the funeral home Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. (Indiana time), with the Rev. William Hanlon officiating.

Burial will be in Mohr Cemetery in Van Wert County. Memorial gifts may be given to the Van Wert Visiting Nurses or Gideons International.

Robert Fuess

HUDSON — Robert H. Fuess, 73, died Saturday at 4:55 p.m. at his home on McClish Lake, Hudson.

He retired in 1982 with 35 years of service as a manager of engineering at Navistar. He was past president of the McClish Lake Property Owners Association and founded Boy Scout Troop 348 in Fort Wayne. He had lived at McClish Lake since 1982, when he moved there from Monroeville.

Mr. Fuess was born April 5, 1925, in Waterville, N.Y., to the late Harry and Viola (Parker) Fuess.

He married Elizabeth M. Bellinger on July 20, 1946, in New York state and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Richard B. of El Paso, Texas, and Robert F. and Donald L., both of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Virginia L. Tholen of Indianapolis; one brother, Donald of Waterville; two sisters, Doris Williams of North Syracuse, N.Y. and Betty Jane Jones of New Hartford, N.Y.; and nine grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

His funeral service will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Chaplain Richard Niles of Heartland Hospice officiating. Burial will take place in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to ALS-Lou Gehrig Association or Heartland Hospice.

Evening Star, Mon., Oct. 12, 1998 (cont'd)

Mable Mullett

FREMONT — Mable J. Mullett, 76, of Fremont, died Sunday at the Laurels of DeKalb, Butler.

Mrs. Mullett was a homemaker and a member of the Community Baptist Church, Wolcottville.

She was born Feb. 13, 1922, in Floyd County, Ky., to the late Lewis and Sarah (Wireman) Patton.

Surviving are two daughters, Diana (and husband, Donald) Morris of Hamilton, and Caral (and husband, Billy) Hall of Benton, Ill.; five sons, Herman Neely of Oklahoma City, Joseph Neely of Parma, Mich., Robert (and wife, Dawn) Neely of Onondaga, Mich., David (and wife, Phyllis) Neely of Fremont, and Ronnie (and wife, Brenda) Neely of Robinson, Ill.; a stepdaughter, Norma Jean Conrad of Dunlap; two stepsons, Hal (and wife, Melinda) Mullett and Don Mullett; 23 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gaylord Mullett, in 1984, as well as two brothers, Rufus and Buford Patton, and a granddaughter.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. at the Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Leburn Combs officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Peter Garner

ANGOLA — Peter C. Garner, 55, of Angola, died Sunday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, as the result of an accidental fall.

Mr. Garner was a member of the accounting department at Moore Business Forms, Angola.

A U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War, Mr. Garner had lived in Angola since 1953. He graduated from Angola High School in 1961 and from Tri-State University in 1971.

He was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola; a charter member of the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center, Angola; a member of Moore's Athletic Association; and a member of Moore's Golf League.

He was born May 25, 1943, in Indianapolis to Jack and Sally (Marshall) Garner. His mother preceded him in death.

On July 3, 1971, he married Kathy (Andersen) Garner, who survives at home.

Also surviving are his father, Jack, of Angola; and three daughters, Michelle Garner, at home; Teresa Sessford of Angola; and Lisa Garner, at home.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 an 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Donald Meyers officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the Pete Garner Memorial YMCA Swimming Scholarship Fund.

Phyllis Burkhalter

FORT WAYNE — Phyllis N. Burkhalter, 63, of Fort Wayne, died Friday in her home.

She was born in Angola and was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Norman; two daughters, Sondra Miller of Hudson, and Connie Likes of Angola; two sons, Fred Burkhalter of Cincinnati and Larry Burkhalter of Marathon, Fla.; six sisters, Cora McCaskey and Wava Burkhalter, both of Fort Wayne, Catherine Werts of Angola, Betty Timmons of Sunnydale, Calif., Sylvia Fitch of Lake Placid, Fla., and Marjorie Glyshaw of Bellaire, Mich.; two brothers, Henry McEntarfer and Clyde McEntarfer, both of Ashley; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., with burial in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials are to Visiting Nurses Service & Hospice, 3015 S. Wayne St., Box 21, Fort Wayne 46807, or Cancer Services of Allen County, 2925 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne, 46805.

Evening Star, Mon., Oct. 12, 1998 (cont'd)

Ida 'Jean' Barth

LAKE PANASOFFKEE, Fla. — Ida EmmaJean "Jean" Barth, 78, of Lake Panasoffkee, Fla., died Friday in Inverness, Fla.

Mrs. Barth was a former resident of Ashley. She had been a factory worker and was a homemaker and a member of the Moose Lodge in Lake Panasoffkee. She moved to Sumter County in 1988 from Ruskin, Fla. She was born in Elkhart.

She is survived by her husband, Rodney Barth of Lake Panasoffkee; three stepsons, Michael Barth and Steven Barth, both of Auburn, and Robert Barth of Fort Wayne; one stepdaughter, Deborah Underwood of Auburn; one brother, Robert VanCamp of Elkhart; nine stepgrandchildren and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services will take place Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Fla.

Friends may call Wednesday from 9-10:30 a.m., prior to the service, at the Purcell Funeral Home Chapel, 114 W. Noble Ave., Bushnell, Fla.

Henry Kassee

STROH — Henry L. Kassee, 66, of Stroh, died at 5:30 a.m. Sunday in his residence.

He was born in Knott County, Ky., Jan. 11, 1932, to Lee and Martha (Short) Kassee. On March 22, 1978, in South Milford, he married Jeanette Patrick, who survives.

Mr. Kassee was a patternmaker for Foley Pattern before his retirement in 1994.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Rachel Kassee of Stroh; two sons, Leon Kassee of Cleveland, Tenn., and Paul Kassee of LaGrange; three stepsons, Terry Patrick of Stroh, Scott Patrick of Angola, and Kelly Patrick of LaGrange; and two stepdaughters, Angie Lothamer of Kendallville, and Lisa Hall of Logansport.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a half-brother, Arliss.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Community Baptist Church, with the Rev. Lee Combs officiating. Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery, rural LaGrange County.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today and two hours before services at the church on Tuesday.

Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Velma Lincoln**, 85, died Sunday. Graveside services were held Thursday in Eel River Cemetery.

KENDALLVILLE — **Henry L. Kassee**, 66, died Sunday at home. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Community Baptist Church. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

LIGONIER — **Irene J. DePew**, 81, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Ligonier United Methodist Church, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Larry Ball

AUBURN — Larry C. Ball, 54, died Monday evening in his Auburn home.

He worked at Dana Corp. for 31 years and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Studebaker Drivers Club, Avanti Owners Club and Shifters Club.

Mr. Ball was born June 19, 1944, in Butler to Maynard and Alma (Oberlin) Ball. His mother survives in Butler and his father is deceased.

Also surviving him are one brother, Jeff of Butler; one sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Ron Metzler of Auburn; two nieces, Rhonda and Dawn Metzler, and one nephew, Craig Metzler.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home by Pastor Wayne Smith. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or a charity of the donor's choice.

Delbert Clark

WATERLOO — Delbert A. Clark, 80, died Monday at 1 p.m. in his home on County Road 24, Waterloo.

He was the owner and operator of Clark's Welding Service in Waterloo for 58 years. He was a Maumee gun trader and a member of the National Muzzleloading Association and National Rifle Association. He was a charter member of the American Welding Society.

Mr. Clark was born June 8, 1918, in DeKalb County to the late Raymond L. and Clara N. (Miller) Clark.

He married Evelyn Marie Kline on Oct. 13, 1945, in Hamilton. She died Dec. 28, 1993.

Surviving him are one daughter, Christine Morgan of Waterloo; one brother, Ralph of Waterloo; one sister, Opal Mobley of Angola; and two grandchildren, Evelyn Christine Morgan and Vernon Andrew Morgan.

One brother, Roger, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John Hostetter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Wava Smith

ALBION — Wava L. Bassett Smith, 89, died Monday at 6:30 a.m. in Carlin Park Nursing Home in Angola.

She was born in Pleasant Lake on April 13, 1909, to Worthy and Lulu (Dickman) Shuman. She married Ancel Bassett, who preceded her in death in 1968. She then married John H. Smith and he preceded her in death in 1989.

Mrs. Smith had worked as a store clerk at Grand Leader and L.S. Ayres in Fort Wayne. She had lived in Angola since 1987, coming from Zephyrhills, Fla. She was a member of Big Lake Church of God, rural Columbia City.

Surviving are a son, Gerald E. Bassett of Angola; a sister, Vivienne Heckathorne of Monroe, N.C.; three grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Two brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in Big Lake Church of God. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Albion, and from 1-2 p.m. Thursday in the church.

Preferred memorials are to Big Lake Church of God.

Betty Colgan

GARRETT — Betty R. Colgan, 53, died Sunday at 11:32 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a homemaker and lived on East Covell Street in Garrett.

Mrs. Colgan was born Jan. 17, 1945, in Garrett to the late George and Ruth (Berry) Harter.

She married John Colgan on Sept. 29, 1971, in Auburn, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, John and Robert, both of Garrett; two daughters, Laurie Wilcoxson and Pam Anderson, both of Garrett; two daughters-in-law, Jamie Benbow of Auburn and Vanessa McNutt of Garrett; a stepmother, Ellen Mooney of Garrett; Peggy Kirchner of Tiffin, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Steven Pepple; one sister, Roseanne Allen; and one brother, Joe Harter.

Her funeral service will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, with calling after 9:30 a.m. Tom Wilcoxson will officiate. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Louise J. Jenkins**, 88, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Smith and Sons Miller Chapel, South Whitley, with calling there from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday.

HOWE — **Myron R. Woods**, 81, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there from noon until services.

ROME CITY — **Tina Lee Collins**, 1 month old, died Sunday. Services Wednesday in Garrett, Ky.

WOLF LAKE — **Kathleen V. Kesling**, 76, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Shoda-Wilkinson Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling 6-8 p.m. today and 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, Wed., Oct. 14, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Larry Ball

AUBURN — Larry C. Ball, 54, died Monday evening in his Auburn home.

He worked at Dana Corp. for 31 years and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Studebaker Drivers Club, Avanti Owners Club and Shifters Club.

Mr. Ball was born June 19, 1944, in Butler to Maynard and Alma (Oberlin) Ball. His mother survives in Butler and his father is deceased.

He married Linda Oberlin on June 24, 1967, in Newville, and she survives.

Also surviving him are one brother, Jeff of Butler; one sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Ron Metzler of Auburn; two nieces, Rhonda and Dawn Metzler, and one nephew, Craig Metzler.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home by Pastor Wayne Smith. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or a charity of the donor's choice.

Helen Scott

NORTH MANCHESTER — Helen Scott, 97, died Monday at 9:03 p.m. in Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

She was a member of the Lagro United Methodist Church.

She was born July 15, 1901, in Geneso, Ill., to the late Jerome and Mary (Briggs) Burnworth.

She married Charles L. Scott on March 17, 1919, in Lagro, and he died Jan. 12, 1965.

Surviving her are two daughters, Lois (Mrs. Thomas) Zook of Auburn and Ethel Mae (Mrs. Jack) Miller of Wabash; one son, Lamoine Scott of Leesburg; 10 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

One brother and two sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-8 p.m. in Grandstaff-Hentgen Main Street Chapel in Wabash.

Her funeral will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with Dr. Bill Moon officiating. Burial will take place in the Lagro Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association or the Peabody Retirement Community.

(Editor's note: The following obituary is being reprinted to correct information provided to the newspaper.)

Leah Langley

HUDSON — Leah L. Langley, 19, of Hudson, died Saturday on C.R. 24 at U.S. 6, Waterloo, in a traffic accident.

She was born Dec. 4, 1978, in Auburn to Thomas and Brenda (Leiter) Langley. They survive in Hudson.

Miss Langley worked on the family farm and was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses church. She loved animals and doing crafts.

Surviving with her parents are a brother, Anthony Langley of Hudson; two sisters, Larissa Langley and Larin Langley, both of Hudson; maternal grandparents, Larry and Evelyn Leiter of Rio Rico, Ariz.; paternal grandmother, Shirley Langley of Stroh; and a great-grandmother, Kathryn Levitz of Mongo.

Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. today in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Dale Hoyt officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Visitation is from 1-4 and 6-7 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Trevor Frederick

HUDSON — Trevor S. Frederick, 94, formerly of Hudson, died Sept. 28 in Mount Dora, Fla.

He was born March 7, 1904, in DeKalb County to Amos and Ona (Shuman) Frederick.

Mr. Frederick attended Indiana University and had been an accountant for U.S. Steel in Gary for 35 years.

Surviving are his wife, Olive "Johnnie"; and nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson, with the Rev. Willard Sanders officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is one hour before services on Saturday in the funeral home.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Paul Duane Holsinger**, 64, of rural Howe, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in Brighton Chapel, Brighton, with calling there 3-8 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Oct. 15, 1998

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **E. Mildred Rider**, 97, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there Saturday from 3-6 p.m.

DECATUR — **Esther Marie Giessler**, 61, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur, with calling there Friday from 9-10:30 a.m.

KENDALLVILLE — **Dale K. Caldwell**, 86, died Wednesday. Graveside services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Lake View Cemetery.

The Evening Star, Fri., Oct. 16, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Bethel Harroff-Foster

COLUMBIA CITY — Bethel Marie Harroff-Foster, 88, died Wednesday at 11:23 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Columbia City.

She worked at Weatherhead Co. in Columbia City during World War II. She and her first husband founded and operated Harroff's Restaurants in Albion, Wolf Lake and Churubusco until 1958. She was later employed by Meadowbrook Manor, Columbia City. She had lived in Columbia City, Albion, Wolf Lake, Fort Wayne and Churubusco. She attended Cornerstone Wesleyan Church in Merriam.

Mrs. Harroff-Foster was born Nov. 27, 1909, in Johnson County, Ky., to the late Samuel and Flarry (Birchum) Pennington.

She married Herbert Theodore Harroff on Sept. 4, 1926, in Columbia City, and he died June 5, 1960. She married Manly Foster in 1965 and he died in 1981.

Surviving her are two sons, John M. Harroff of Ligonier and Frederick J. Harroff of Columbia City; four daughters, Mary E. Gater, Flora B. Loe, Rilla J. Walter (formerly of Corunna) and Liz Hatcher, all of Columbia City; one sister, Lizzie Alice Holland of Trapp, Ky.; 20 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sons, James E. Harroff, Francis Harroff and Herbert Harroff Jr.; and five brothers, Chalmer Birchum, Carl Birchum, Cortez Birchum, Clarence Birchum and Alonzo Crace.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

Her funeral service will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Daniel Wilson of Seneca, N.Y., and Pastor George Cecil of the Cornerstone Wesleyan Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **Roscoe Sherman Hoot**, 82, died Sept. 25 in Florida. Private family services were held Sept. 27. Graveside services at 1 p.m. Saturday in Waterloo. No calling.

LIGONIER — **Robert D. "Bob" Mathew**, 75, of Ligonier, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-6 p.m. on Saturday.

The Evening Star, Sat., Oct. 24, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Rosalie Rynearson

CORUNNA — Rosalie Marie Rynearson, 67, died Friday at 11 a.m. in her home in Corunna.

She was born Feb. 1, 1931, in Hicksville, Ohio, to George and Thelma (Neely) Beals.

A homemaker, she married Tom Rynearson on June 6, 1970, in Waterloo. He died May 6, 1993.

Surviving are one son, Ronald Walters of Waterloo; one daughter, Dawn Schurick of Butler; one brother, Herbert (Margaret) Beals of Gaylord, Mich.; two sisters, Julia May Cook of Gaylord, Mich., and Barbara Lilly of of Corunna; and six grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-6 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Services will be in the funeral home Monday at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Richard Pickard officiating. Burial will be in Sedan Cemetery near Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Donna Growcock

ALBION — Donna Mae Growcock, 69, died at 3 a.m. Friday in Steuben County Rest Home, Angola.

She was born Jan. 3, 1929, in Avilla, to Frank and Nina (Weaver) Growcock. She was a lifetime Noble County resident.

Surviving are four sisters, Mary Jo Gard of Fremont, Nancy Fulford of Wawaka, Peggy Wilber of Fort Wayne and Beverly Groves of Albion; three brothers, Robert Growcock and James Growcock, both of Wolcottville, and Larry "Pete" Growcock of Albion; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Shirley Rink and Jean Huth.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, with the Rev. Edna Wildey officiating. Burial will be in Avilla Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Alma Baker

KENDALLVILLE — Alma D. Baker, 66, died at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday in her home following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Baker was born Sept. 14, 1932, in Angola, to Elmer and Maude (Goodpaster) Gose. On April 9, 1954, in Kendallville, she married Donald A. Baker, who survives.

She had lived in Kendallville for 46 years, moving there from Mongo. She was a homemaker.

Also surviving are one son, David L. Baker of Kendallville; three daughters, Patty Beiswanger, Dawn Baker and Wanda Couture, all of Kendallville; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers, Willis Gose of Kendallville and Wayne Gose of California; and one sister, Nancy Markel of Oklahoma.

Graveside services were held Friday in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

The Evening Star, Sat., Oct. 17, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Bennie Conley

LAOTTO — Bennie Conley, 67, of LaOtto, died at his residence Friday at 8:20 a.m.

He was born on Oct. 10, 1931, in Royalton, Ky., to Adam and Elizabeth (Bailey) Conley. In Fremont on Dec. 15, 1951, he married Dorothy Handshoe, who survives.

Mr. Conley was an iron worker for 10 years at Midwestern Foundry in Garrett and worked at Newnam Foundry (Dalton Manufacturing) in Kendallville for 35 years.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are two sons, Jerry and Jeffrey Conley, both of Kendallville; three daughters, Elizabeth Weber of Avilla, Mary Mitchell of LaOtto, and Barbara Bowman of Garrett; a sister, Meddie Etinger of Fremont; two half-sisters, Ollie Spencer of Florida, and Poplee Crawford of Lima, Ohio; a half-brother, James Conley of Kenton, Ohio; a stepsister, Goldie Ferkins of Dola, Ohio; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Two brothers and a sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville, with Rev. Bill Tuttle officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

Calling is from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Hazel Shane

HUDSON — Hazel L. Shane, 83, of Hudson, died at 1:15 p.m. Friday at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born in Laud in Whitley County on Jan. 25, 1915, to Martin and Susie (Foy) Lahr. On April 4, 1954, she was married to Howard Shane in Warsaw. He preceded her in death on Jan. 5, 1990.

She moved to the Hudson area in 1965 from Marion.

Mrs. Shane was a homemaker and worked at Miller's Merry Manor in LaGrange and at Thurston Woods in Sturgis, Mich. She attended the Methodist church and was a lifetime member of the Moose Lodge in Angola, a member of the LaGrange County Extension Club and a volunteer for the LaGrange County Food Basket.

Surviving are a son, Robert Wagener, of Marion; three daughters, Judy Rowe of Marion, Rebecca Nevil of Warren, and Kathy Growcock of Wolcottville; one brother, Clyde Lahr of Marion; 10 grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren, and several great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson, with Rev. Carldean Merrifield officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery in Wolcottville. Calling is two hours before the services at the funeral home.

Memorials are to the donor's choice.

Bennie Conley

Laotto — 1931-1998

Bennie Conley, 67, of LaOtto, a retired ironworker, died Friday, Oct. 16, 1998, in LaOtto.

The Roylaton, Ky., native was retired from Midwest Foundry, Garrett, after 10 years and Newnam Foundry, Kendallville, after 35 years.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; sons Jerry and Jeffrey, both of Kendallville; daughters Elizabeth Conley of Avilla, Mary Mitchell of LaOtto and Barbara Bowman of Garrett; sister Meddie Etinger of Fremont; half-sisters Ollie Spencer of Florida and Poplee Crawford of Lima, Ohio; a half-brother, James Conley of Kenton, Ohio; stepsister, Goldie Ferkins of Dola, Ohio; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services are 11 a.m. Monday at Hite Funeral Home, with calling from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Deaths/Funerals

James Murdock

AUBURN — James W. Murdock, 66, died today at 1:28 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Murdock retired in 1994 as graphic arts instructor at DeKalb High School, with 20 years of service. He was employed as a greeter at the Wal-Mart Store in Auburn.

Arrangements are pending at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Richard Graham

GARRETT — Richard P. Graham, 78, died Sunday at 3:50 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett.

His funeral will take place Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.. in Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett. A complete obituary will appear in Tuesday's edition.

Dwaine York

AUBURN — Dwaine L. York, 41, died Thursday at his residence in Auburn.

He was self-employed and a native of Akron, Ohio.

Surviving him are his wife, Debra; one son, Keith, at home; one daughter, Crystal, at home; his parents, Owen York of Springfield, Fla., and Avara York of Valrico, Fla.; one brother, David of Valrico, Fla.; and three sisters, Sherry York of Branden, Fla., Linda Pittinger of Branden, and Ginger Donatelle of Akron.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Herman Wise

ANGOLA — Herman Wise, 92, of Angola, died Saturday at 2:35 p.m. at his home.

Mr. Wise was a farmer with the E.B. McNaughton and Ray Kimbel farms and retired in 1971 from Brighton Mushroom Farm. He also was a self-employed painter.

He move to the area in 1943 from Campbellsville, Ky.

He was born Sept. 4, 1906, in Taylor County, Ky., to the late Thomas and Eddie Florence (Hardesty) Wise.

On Sept. 5, 1939, he married Ruth H. (Wade) Wise of Angola, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two sons, Bob Wise of Angola, and Coy Wise of Quincy, Mich.; three daughters, Aneta Powell of Angola, Betty Haviland of Flint, and Thelma Antrup of Montgomery; a sister, Gustie Bott of Louisville, Ky.; 16 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Dora, in 1935; a son, Harold Kevin Wise, in 1991; three grandchildren, two brothers, a sister, three half-sisters and a half-brother.

Friends may call tonight from 6-8 at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery.

Eleanor Johnson

GARRETT — Eleanor L. Johnson, 78, died Sunday at 2:27 a.m. in her home on South Cowen Street.

She had been employed in assembly at General Electric Co.

Mrs. Johnson was born Oct. 31, 1919, in Fort Wayne to the late Charles and Edith Lochner.

She married Albert J. Johnson on May 30, 1946, in Angola. He died in 1994.

Surviving her are two daughters and sons-in-law, Rosemary and Paul Blust of Garrett, and Diana and Ralph Geesaman of Garrett; one sister, Mary Leitch of Huntertown; three brothers, Clair Lochner, Elsworth Lochner and Merl Lochner, all of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

There will be no calling or service. Thomas Funeral Home of Garrett is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice or St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Fort Wayne.

Nancy Dold

FORT WAYNE — Nancy J. Dold, 59, died Saturday.

Mrs. Dold retired in April 1998 from the Allen County Division of Family and Children.

She was a member of St. Jude's Catholic Church and its Rosary Sodality. She attended St. Mary's of the Angels Catholic Church at Big Long Lake. She was active in the Pretty Lake Conservation Club. She enjoyed gardening and wildlife activities.

Surviving her are her husband, Jack Dold of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Deanna LaRowe of Auburn; four sons, Richard of Columbia City, and Michael A., Timothy and John, all of Fort Wayne; one brother, Peter Herber of Des Moines, Iowa; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Chapel, Fort Wayne. A rosary service will be held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Her funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in St. Jude's Catholic Church. Burial will take place in the Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to TV Masses or Cancer Services of Allen County.

Amanda Meyer

KENDALLVILLE — Amanda J. Meyer, 23, of Kendallville, died at 6:25 p.m. Saturday in a vehicle accident on DeKalb C.R. 28.

Born in Kendallville on July 31, 1975, she was the daughter of Earl and Teresa M. (Smith) Amburgey. Her father survives in North Manchester and her mother is deceased.

Mrs. Meyer, a factory worker in Kendallville, was a lifetime Noble County resident.

Surviving with her father are a daughter, April Marie Meyer, at home; a sister, Brenda Murphy of Kendallville, and David Amburgey of North Manchester; and maternal grandparents, Hugh and Thelma Hickman of Albion.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with the Rev. Edna Wildey officiating. Burial will be in Merriam Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Evening Star, Mon., Oct. 19, 1998 (cont'd)

Andrew Everetts

BUTLER — Andrew B. Everetts, 97, died Saturday at 11:25 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. He was a retired Butler farmer.

Mr. Everetts was born June 11, 1901, in Troy Township, DeKalb County, to the late Gilbert and Maude (Betts) Everetts.

He married Erma Graft in April 1953 and she died in January 1968.

Surviving him are one brother, Lyle of Bryan, Ohio; and two sisters, Helen Casebere of Hamilton and Evangeline Harrison of Rives Junction, Mich.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-7 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

His funeral will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with David Payne of the Hamilton Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Beverly Hutchins

KENDALLVILLE — Beverly Berhalter Hutchins, 88, funeral director for Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, died at 7:15 a.m. Sunday in the emergency room of McCray Memorial Hospital. She had been ill since July.

She was born Sept. 10, 1910, in Kendallville to Arthur J. and Emily (Shull) Berhalter. She married Myron C. Hutchins on Oct. 12, 1932, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death Nov. 23, 1983.

Mrs. Hutchins was a graduate of Kendallville High School and Starrett School for Girls in Chicago. Although she was no longer active, she had been a funeral director for 50 years. For many years she was the only woman in Indiana to hold a funeral director's license. She also worked at the Berhalter Furniture Store for many years.

She was a fourth generation descendant of Joseph Berhalter who immigrated to the United States from Wurtenburg, Germany. He and his wife, Fanny, opened a cabinet and coffin-making shop on Main Street in Kendallville in 1860.

Mrs. Hutchins was an accomplished and professional whistler, beginning to whistle before she could talk. She developed her talent and at 14 made a musical debut and traveled to Chicago for lessons with professional musicians. Four years later she signed a contract with the Chautauqua Summer Circuit, an entertainment series. The Redpath Chautauqua Circuit took her to the East Coast and throughout the Midwest.

Following her marriage she continued to entertain in the Noble County area at schools, churches, service clubs and benefits. She remained active in fine arts as a member of Sigma Eta Fine Arts Sorority and the Noble County Community Concerts.

She had been a part of the First Presbyterian Church since she was 4. One of the highlights of those years was directing the first junior choir with two of the young standout voices belonging to Orpha Jean Bently and Barbara Calkins. She also sang in the choir.

Family, music and her church were a big part of her life. She also loved to cook, bake and knit, and was an avid reader.

She and her late husband were not only well-known funeral directors, they were active civic leaders.

Mrs. Hutchins' father opened the Arthur J. Berhalter Funeral Home in 1928. Her husband became a partner in the funeral home in 1937. After his graduation from Hanover College and the Indiana College of Mortuary Science in 1958, her son, John B. Hutchins, joined the firm and the name of the business was changed to Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home. He has been affiliated with the family business since that time.

Mrs. Hutchins was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and its Covenent-Geneva Circle, Tri Kappa, Order of the Eastern Star and Sigma Eta Fine Arts Sorority.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, John B. and Sherry Hutchins of Kendallville; a daughter, Jalna J. Lang of Kingwood, Texas; four grandchildren, Stacia G. Henry of Kendallville, J. Scott Hutchins of Pass Christian, Miss., Leslie Lang of Houston, Texas, and Todd Lang of Phoenix, Ariz.; and three great-grandchildren, Sheryl Petrie, Ethan Henry and Thomas Henry, all of Kendallville.

A brother, John Berhalter, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with the Rev. Stanley Kessler officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 1-5 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the First Presbyterian Church or Sigma Eta Fine Arts Sorority.

The Evening Star, Wed., Oct. 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Corrine Fike

NAPPANEE — Corrine T. Fike, 79, died Monday at 12:45 a.m. in Bremen Health Care Center at Bremen.

She was a homemaker and had been a sewing instructor at a garment factory in Garrett. She was the clerk and bookkeeper for over 31 years at Martin Hardware, Nappanee.

She was a member of the Brethren in Christ Church, where she had served in many positions, including church archivist and Sunday School secretary. She was active in the church's sewing group. She was a former member of the Nappanee Lady Lions Club. She moved to Nappanee in 1948 from Garrett.

Mrs. Fike was born Feb. 21, 1919, in Fort Wayne to the late John and Theresa (Myers) Millhouse.

She married Archie Fike on June 30, 1939, in Garrett, and he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Frances (Mrs. Jerel) Book of Garrett; three sisters, Dorothy Bassinger of Fort Wayne, Mildred Fike of Auburn and Eileen Mankin of Lantana, Fla.; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Erma Slessman, two brothers, William and John Millhouse, and two sisters, Marie Emerick and Ethel Rice.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Her funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in the Brethren in Christ Church. The Rev. Joseph W. Fox, pastor of the church, and the Rev. Jerel Book, her son-in-law, will officiate. Burial will take place in South Union Cemetery.

Clara Mullens

CALVIN, W.Va. — Clara Mullens, 60, died Tuesday in General Division of CAMC, Charleston, W.Va., following a long illness.

She was a native of Angola and had lived in Calvin for 28 years.

She was a member of the Baptist church.

Surviving are her husband, John Burl Mullens Sr.; two sons, John Mullens Jr. of Tioga, W.Va., and Charles Lee Mullens of Calvin; two daughters, Penny Jo Smith and Leann Adkins, both of Persinger, W.Va.; 10 grandchildren; two brothers, Eugene Cope of Fremont and Delbert Cope of Angola; and two sisters, Emily Parrish of Fremont and June Zimmerman of Brushy Prairie.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Simons-Coleman Funeral Home, Richwood, W.Va., with the Rev. Melvin Adkins officiating. Burial will be in West Virginia Memorial Gardens, Calvin.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Arthur C. McCoy**, 95, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange. Calling noon to 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

HUNTINGTON — **Erma B. Rice**, 87, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Deal-Robbins & Van Gilder Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel, 338 E. Washington. Calling 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Deaths/Funerals

James Murdock

AUBURN — James W. Murdock, 66, died Monday at 1:28 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Murdock retired in 1994 as a graphic arts instructor at DeKalb High School, with 20 years of service. He was employed as a greeter at the Wal-Mart Store in Auburn. He was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Army and was a member of American Legion Post 97 in Auburn and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6572 in Waterloo.

He was born April 18, 1932, in Philadelphia, Pa., to Nelson and Mabel Murdock. His mother survives in Elizabethtown, Pa., and his father is deceased.

He married his wife, Carolyn, on March 19, 1960, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons and two daughters-in-law, Mark Murdock of Auburn, Matthew and Kim Murdock of Fort Wayne, and Timothy and Michelle Murdock of Kendallville.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

His funeral service will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, with calling after 10 a.m. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, with a military graveside service by Waterloo VFW Post 6572.

Memorial contributions may be given to Trinity Lutheran Church or Auburn American Legion Post 97.

Richard Graham

GARRETT — Richard P. Graham, 78, died Sunday at 3:50 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor of Garrett.

Mr. Graham was a resident of East Covell Street in Garrett. He had been employed in motor assembly at General Electric for 41 years.

He was born Feb. 24, 1920, in Kosciusko County to Paul and Alice Belle (Cress) Graham.

He married Berniece Diehm on April 13, 1940, in Bryan, Ohio, and she survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are three sons, Donald of Pleasant Lake, Richard Jr. of Waterloo and Rick of Angola; a daughter, Sharon Weaver of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren, five stepgrandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Earl; and a sister, Lena Hershberger.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett.

His funeral will take place Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Garrett. The Rev. Herbert Schumm will officiate.

Burial will be in Avilla Lutheran Cemetery. The Garrett posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct military graveside rites.

Memorial donations may be made to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church or the American Diabetes Association.

Virginia Bailey

GREENVILLE, Mich. — Virginia L. Bailey, 66, of Greenville, formerly of Fremont, died Thursday at United Memorial Hospital, Greenville.

A homemaker, she was born Jan. 19, 1932, in McGoffin County, Ky., to the late Adam and Irene Rowe.

Surviving are three daughters, Shirley (and husband, Barry) Taylor of Greenville, Shiela (and husband, William) Scoffield of Gowen, Mich., and Helen (and husband, Leonard) Hollingsworth of Union City, Mich.; a son, Terry (and wife, Pam) Bailey of Gowen; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Connie; three brothers, Ben Earl and George; five sisters, Marge, Dorothy, Claudia, Della and Edna; a grandchild, Brian; and a great-grandchild, Michelle.

Visitation and graveside services took place Monday at Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont, with the Rev. Emory Gibson officiating.

Arrangements were made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Glenn Shelton

ANGOLA — Glenn Junior Shelton, 75, of Angola, died Sunday at his residence.

Mr. Shelton was a retired truck driver and a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

He was born July 15, 1923, in Peebles, Ohio, to the late Willie and Lillie Ada (Tolle) Shelton.

Surviving are three daughters, Cheryl (and husband, Tom) Robison of Fremont, Tondala (and husband, Richard) Davis of Panama City, Fla., and Lillian R. Lane of Indianapolis; five grandchildren, Tom and Tim Robison of Fremont, Tyson Davis of Panama City, and Darien and Evie Lane, both of Angola; two sisters, Merle (and husband, Clyde) Drake of Decatur, and Ruth Lee of Decatur; and a brother, Willard (and wife, Susan) of Las Vegas, Nev.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, George, Earl and Gerald; and a granddaughter, Sandra Kay Robison.

Services will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Albert Barnett**, 83, of Kendallville, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Kendallville. Calling 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

LAGRANGE — **Richard G. Rohrs**, 86, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

Herman E. "Bernie" Vogleman

Huntington — 1950-1998

Herman E. "Bernie" Vogleman, 47, of Huntington died Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1998, at home.

The Huntington native was retired from Magnetek.

Surviving are sons, Jason and Jeremy, both of Huntington; his mother, Audrey Vogleman of Huntington; sisters, Kay Keplinger, Linda McCutchoen and Tammie Bailey, all of Huntington, and Billie Jean Vanover of Fairfax, Va.; brothers, Rick, Mike and Terry, all of Warren, and Bob of Markle; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Jeff, and a brother, Jim.

Graveside services are 10 a.m. Saturday at Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster. There is no calling.

Memorials are to the family.

The Evening Star, Fri., Oct. 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Kathleen Pape

LEO-CEDARVILLE — Kathleen Sheila Pape, 71, died Tuesday in Logansport Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

She retired in 1990 as a supervisor at Magnavox Corp., Fort Wayne. She was a member of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, Fort Wayne, and was a Red Cross volunteer. She lived in Leo-Cedarville.

She was born June 2, 1927, in Cardiff, Wales, Great Britain, to the late Frank and Elizabeth Hatton.

Surviving her are a daughter, Patty A. Muehlhausen of Logansport; one son, Michael A. Pape of Leo-Cedarville; two brothers, Raymond Hatton and Michael Hatton, both of Great Britain; two sisters, Betty Davis and Marjorie Brown, both of Great Britain; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Her funeral service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, East Dupont Road, Fort Wayne, with calling after noon.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Donna Grabill

LAOTTO — Donna L. Grabill, 72, died Wednesday at 7 p.m. in her home on County Road 300-S, LaOtto. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Grabill was born Sept. 23, 1926, in Spencerville to the late Ralph and Elsie (Davidson) Yarde.

She married Edgar D. Grabill on Dec. 29, 1946, in LaOtto, and he survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Sharon McMillan of New Paris, Connie Binz and Brenda Seely, both of Auburn, and Linda Duke of Fort Wayne; one son, Allen Grabill of Fort Wayne; one brother, Henry Zimmerman of Garrett; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One brother, Harold Yarde, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 5-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral service will take place Saturday at 11 a.m. at LaOtto Wesleyan Church, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Lois Watkins and the Rev. Jim Watkins will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the LaOtto Wesleyan Church Pew Enhancement Fund.

Glenna Hayward

STROH — Glenna V. Hayward, 95, of Stroh, died at 11:10 a.m. Thursday in Life Care Center in LaGrange.

She was born in Calhoun, Va., on Dec. 27, 1902, to Joseph and Cora Lee (Crizer) Fleshman. On May 27, 1922, in LaGrange, she married Ray B. Hayward, who preceded her in death Sept. 1, 1970.

Mrs. Hayward, a lifetime Stroh resident, was a homemaker and a retired cook for the Prairie Heights School Corp. She was a member of Stroh Church of Christ and Garrett Order of the Eastern Star for more than 60 years.

Surviving are a daughter, Nancy Kay Wheeler of Jacksonville, Fla.; three sons, Donald Hayward of Stroh, and Douglas Hayward and Billy Joe Hayward, both of Hudson; 14 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Brooke Hayward.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with Mike Hamm officiating. Burial will be in Lake Bethel Cemetery, rural LaGrange.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Stroh Fire Department or the donor's favorite charity.

Donna L. Grabill

LaOtto — 1926-1998

Donna L. Grabill, 72, of LaOtto, died Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1998, at home.

The Spencerville native was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Edgar; a son, Allen of Fort Wayne; daughters, Sharon McMillan of New Paris, Connie Binz of Auburn, Linda Duke of Fort Wayne and Brenda Seely of Auburn; a brother, Henry Zimmerman of Garrett; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Harold Yarde.

Services are 11 a.m. Saturday at LaOtto Wesleyan Church, LaOtto, with calling one hour before services. Calling is also from 2 to 4 and 5 to 8 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials are to LaOtto Wesleyan Church's Pew Enhancement Fund.

Deaths/Funerals

Barbara Happel

ANGOLA — Barbara A. Happel, 64, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor in LaGrange.

Mrs. Happel retired in 1989 after 20 years as a waitress at the Rib Bar in Fort Wayne. She had lived in Angola and Fort Wayne.

She was born Sept. 20, 1934, in Allen County to Jessie C. and Evelyn (Robart) Schorey. Her mother survives in Fort Wayne and her father is deceased.

Also surviving are her husband, Alvin D. Happel of Angola; three daughters, Debra Kolbow of Fremont, Dana Stahlhut of Angola and Joyce Derkatsch of Fort Wayne; three sons, David of Leo-Cedarville, Duane of Fort Wayne and Dennis of Huntertown; one sister, Joyce Schorey of Angola; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, East Dupont Road, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral service will be held Friday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Lung Association.

Donna Grabill

LAOTTO — Donna L. Grabill, 72, died Wednesday at 7 p.m. in her home on County Road 300-S, LaOtto. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Grabill was born Sept. 23, 1926, in Spencerville to the late Ralph and Elsie (Davidson) Yarde.

She married Edgar D. Grabnill on Dec. 29, 1946, in LaOtto, and he survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Sharon McMillan of New Paris, Connie Binz and Brenda Seely, both of Auburn, and Linda Duke of Fort Wayne; one son, Allen Grabill of Fort Wayne; one brother, Henry Zimmerman of Garrett; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

One brother, Harold Yarde, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 5-8 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral service will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at LaOtto Wesleyan Church, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Lois Watkins and the Rev. Jim Watkins will officiate. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the LaOtto Wesleyan Church Pew Enhancement Fund.

N. Bernice Reed

ALBION — N. Bernice (Cooper) Reed, 82, died at 3:25 a.m. today in Provena Sacred Heart Home, Avilla. She had been in failing health for five years.

Mrs. Reed was born July 25, 1916, in Merriam to Albert and Gertrude (Addis) Keister. She first married Leonard Cooper, who preceded her in death in 1963. On Nov. 4, 1972, in Albion, she married Harry Reed, who survives.

She was an assembler for Lyall Electric from 1955 to 1981. She was a member of Albion Wesleyan Church and the Albion Eagles.

Surviving are two daughters, Donna Snyder of Albion and Barbara Hovarter of Corunna; two sons, Larry Cooper of Albion and Wayne Cooper of Stroh; 12 grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; four stepgreat-grandchildren; one sister, Ruby Keister of Albion; and two brothers, Nelson Keister and Robert Keister, both of Columbia City.

She was preceded in death by one grandson.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Albion Wesleyan Church with the Rev. Edna Wildey officiating. Burial will be in Merriam Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Visitation will be from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, and at the church one hour before services Saturday.

Preferred memorials are to the church or Provena Sacred Heart Home.

Celeste Swinehart

AVILLA — Celeste A. Swinehart, 85, died Tuesday in Provena Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Mrs. Swinehart was born May 17, 1913, and was married to Harold O. Swinehart, who preceded her in death in August 1992.

She was a homemaker. She was a 30-year member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and attended school at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Academy.

Surviving are three sons, Stephen J. Swinehart of Auburn, John F. Swinehart of Carmel and Robert P. Swinehart of Snellville, Ga.; two daughters, Mary L. Shipps of Castle Rock, Colo., and Karen Corley of Indianapolis; 17 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the McDougal Chapel of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1122 S. Clinton St. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. today in Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home, Wayne Street Chapel, 420 W. Wayne St.

Preferred memorials are to the David P. Swinehart Memorial Scholarship Fund at Indiana-Purdue University at Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Monroe C. Loomis**, 83, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there from 4-7 p.m. Friday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Dorothy I. Bogner**, 85, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Shepherd of the Hill Chapel, Kendallville, with calling there two hours prior to services Friday.

Deaths/Funerals

Nancy Klink

ANGOLA — Nancy Klink, 61, of Angola, died Saturday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Klink was the owner of the Hair Hut beauty shop and worked as a beautician.

She was born Aug. 12, 1937, in Angola to the late Raymond W. and Geneva (Martin) German.

Surviving are her husband, Edwin Klink of Angola; three daughters, Becky Herman, Lauri Wells, and Tammie Tom, all of Angola; a brother, Tom German of Angola; a sister, Penny Bower of Angola; and five grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Fund, Angola, or the American Cancer Society.

William Sawvel

HAMILTON — William L. Sawvel, 64, died Thursday in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Sawvel worked as a truck and snowplow driver for the Indiana Department of Transportation, and was of the Lutheran faith. He lived on Enterprise Road, Hamilton.

He was born July 20, 1934, in Hamilton to the late Arthur and Virginia Helen (Alabaugh) Sawvel.

Surviving him are three sons, David Sawvel of St. Joe, Fredrick Heimach of Garrett and Kevin Heimach of Auburn; three daughters, Julie Bartell of Tempe, Ariz., Barbara J. Wurm of Auburn and Jennifer (Mrs. George) Kennedy of Garrett; one brother, Walter Sawvel of Angola; one sister, Pat (Mrs. Martin) Bartell of St. Joe; and three grandsons.

Two sisters, Evelyn Sawvel and Betty Fee, preceded him in death.

His funeral service took place today at 11 a.m. in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home in Hamilton, with the Rev. Paul Row officiating. Burial was in Eddy Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association, American Heart Association, American Cancer Society or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Walter Werts

ANGOLA — Walter L. Werts, 85, of Angola, died Saturday at 4:20 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Werts worked as a supervisor for Union Camp Paper Co. in Cincinnati, retiring in 1975.

A Navy veteran of World War II, he was a member of Fairview Missionary Church, Angola, and a former member of Angola American Legion Post 31. He moved to the area from Cincinnati in 1977 and lived in Angola for 21 years.

He was born April 27, 1913, in Frankfort, to the late Emmett and Jeanette (Young) Werts.

On June 6, 1992, he married Catherine (McEntarfer) Werts, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Jeanette D. Brooks of Sharonville, Ohio, and Debra L. Overbay of Angola; a brother, Harold Werts, of Sharonville; and three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Eullee Werts, in 1946; his second wife, Lena Werts, on Dec. 5, 1990; and a daughter, Nancy Lee Werts.

Services were conducted this afternoon at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. Norman Fuller and the Rev. Ray Miller officiating. Burial was in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to Cameron Hospice.

William Mareane

HAMILTON — William "Bill" Mareane, 70, died Friday at 7:35 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He retired from Phillip's Lighting of Fort Wayne in 1986 and had been self-employed as a lighting specialist since his retirement. He served as a corporal in the 101st Airborne Division of the U.S. Army in Korea.

Mr. Mareane was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite of Indianapolis, the Speedway Jaycees, and the Hamilton Fish & Game Club.

He was born Nov. 30, 1927, in Indianapolis to the late Marion and Catherine (Biddle) Mareane.

He married Nancy J. Covell on March 4, 1951, in Indianapolis and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joe of Syracuse, N.Y., and Dennis of Atlanta, Ga.; one daughter, Terry Keith of South Bend; one brother, Bob Faris of Indianapolis; one sister, Betty Pruitt of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and six grandsons, Joshua, Zachary, Shawn, Mark, Matthew and Jonathan.

Two brothers, Joe Demariani and Ronald Faris, preceded him in death.

There will be no calling or funeral service. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, Mon., Oct. 26, 1998

Lois Simmons

KENDALLVILLE — Lois M. Simmons, 61, of Kendallville, died at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in her home following an extended illness.

She was born in Monroe, Mich., Nov. 22, 1936, to Earl A. and Wilma J. (Auten) Myers. On March 28, 1953, she married Alfred E. Simmons, who survives.

Mrs. Simmons was a homemaker.

Surviving with her husband are four daughters, Mrs. William (Marge) Hulwick of Auburn, and Monica Martin, Mrs. William (Julie) Yates and Mrs. William (Kelly) Walkup, all of Kendallville; two sons, Michael Simmons of Indianapolis, and Kim Simmons of Kendallville; her stepmother, Wilma Myers of Coldwater, Mich.; a foster daughter, Mrs. Robert (Peggy Sue) Leneweaver of Pierceton; four sisters; six brothers; 18 grandchildren; three foster grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Michelle Elaine Simmons, and a brother, Donald Myers.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with chaplain Karen Kosberg of Parkview Hospital officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Visitation is from 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to LaGrange Hospice in LaGrange Hospice, LaGrange.

Raymond Wiedman

KENDALLVILLE — Raymond Lee Wiedman, 66, of Kendallville, died Friday at 9:10 p.m. in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home where he had been a resident since Jan. 19, 1996.

He was born June 15, 1932, in Kendallville to Theodore A. and Jessie May (Bell) Wiedman.

Mr. Wiedman, a lifetime Kendallville-area resident, was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses.

Surviving are a brother, Marion Gene Wiedman of Kendallville; and a sister, Thelma Wiedman of Fort Wayne.

Graveside services will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Orange Cemetery near Rome City, with Bruce Edwards and James Tucker officiating.

Visitation is from noon until 2 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Preferred memorials are to the Raymond L. Wiedman family.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Nedrick Joseph Tarney**, 53, died Friday. Private graveside services at Eel River Cemetery. No calling.

FORT WAYNE — **Georgianne D. "Georgie" Fletcher**, 56, died Friday. Services were today in Fort Wayne.

KENDALLVILLE — **Lois M. Simmons**, 61, died Saturday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 1-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

336

The Evening Star, Tues., Oct. 27, 1998.

Deaths/Funerals

Homer Frisby

FORT WAYNE — Homer Frisby, 80, died Monday evening in his Fort Wayne home.

Mr. Frisby retired after 38 years as a lead man at Fort Wayne Structural Steel. He was a member of the International Association of Bridge Structural & Ornamental Iron Workers.

He was born June 21, 1918, in Menefee County, Ky., to the late Lucifer Joseph and Minnie (Combs) Frisby.

He married Maxine Berberich on Feb. 8, 1939, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Norma Jean Schmucker of Spencerville, Betty Miller of Garden Grove, Calif., and Connie Frisby of Fort Wayne; five sons, Robert of Port Charlotte, Fla., Don of Churubusco, James of Cicero, Ind., Richard of Fort Wayne and Thomas of China; one sister, Irene Miguel of Fort Wayne; 16 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Carolyn Sue Frisby in 1946; one brother, Ace Frisby; two sisters, Marie DePoy and Edith Rendon; two grandsons and one great-grandson.

Friends may call Thursday from 4-8 p.m. and Friday from 2-6 p.m. in Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

His funeral service will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Harold E. Stage**, 80, died Monday. Memorial services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Wawasee Lakeside Chapel, Syracuse. No calling.

ROME CITY — **Ralph L. Sower**, 66, died Sunday. Services at 1 p.m. Thursday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 4-8 p.m. Wednesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Ralph Ober

AUBURN — Ralph W. "Mike" Ober, 80, died Sunday at 4:40 p.m. in Auburn Health Care Center.

He was born July 13, 1918, in Corunna to the late James Wilbert and Minnie (Sipe) Ober.

Surviving him is one sister, Chloe Crossley of Angola.

One brother, Sherman Ober, and one sister, Mable Spilner, preceded him in death.

A graveside service will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn Schorey

FORT WAYNE — Evelyn P. Schorey, 90, of Fort Wayne, died Monday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

She was born Aug. 3, 1908, in Uniondale. She was a homemaker and an avid bingo player.

Surviving are a daughter, Joyce Schorey of Angola; 11 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse, in 1993; two sons, Richard and Bobby Schorey; and a daughter, Barbara Happel.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home, Wayne Street Chapel, 420 W. Wayne St. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

Adrian Mavis

ANDERSON — Adrian R. Mavis, 77, died Monday at St. John's Medical Center after an extended illness.

Mr. Mavis was a salesman for South Central Supply Co. in Columbus, Ind. He was a 1939 graduate of Auburn High School and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He had lived in Anderson since 1974. He was born May 24, 1921, in Bryan, Ohio.

Surviving him are his wife, Rita Mavis of Anderson; two sons, Gary Mavis of Syracuse, N.Y., and Stan Mavis of Boulder, Colo.; one daughter, Leslie Oniki of Sarasota, Fla.; five stepchildren, David Head of San Francisco, Calif., Jim Head of Bonita Springs, Fla., Mary Ann Heiney of Anderson, Nancy Harvey of Pendleton, and Bill Head of Boulder; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

His first wife, Margaret Mavis, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Brown-Butz-Diedring Funeral Home, Anderson.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Anderson, with Father Robert Williams officiating. A graveside service will be held Thursday at 2;30 p.m. in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the St. Vincent DePaul Society or the Christian Center.

Jean McCoy

ZEPHYRHILLS, Fla. — Jean A. McCoy, 79, died Oct. 10 in Zephyrhills, Fla.

Mrs. McCoy was a former Butler resident. She was a comptometer operator for the U.S. government. She also worked as a desk clerk at DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn, and as a sorority mother at Indiana University in Bloomington.

She was born Oct. 3, 1919, in Frankfort, Ind., to the late William and Nellie Caroline (Rogers) Alexander.

She married Hugh McCoy in 1946 and he died Jan. 4, 1973.

Surviving her are one daughter, Carolyn Zawodni of Fennville, Mich.; one sister, Virginia Gard of Marion; three granddaughters, four great-grandsons and two great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by one son, Darrell Alexander McCoy in 1972, two brothers and three sisters.

A memorial service will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in First Christian Church, Auburn. The Rev. Terry Noller will officiate. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Wilbur E. Newlin**, 83, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Hampton-Gentry Funeral Home, Plainfield, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Friday.

CROMWELL — **Johnny Wayne Hise**, 46, died Sunday. No services or calling.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Jessie B. Lane**, 76, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, with calling there 2-5 and 6-9 p.m. today and after 1 p.m. on Thursday.

Deaths/Funerals

W. Mary Whitt

AUBURN — W. Mary Whitt, 72, died Wednesday at 4:25 a.m. in St. Joseph's Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

She retired after eight years as a laborer at Magnavox and was a former employee of Cooper and the House of Spirits. She was a member of American Legion Post 97 Ladies Auxiliary.

She was born April 28, 1926, in Spencer, W.V., to Wilber and Flossie (Nichols) Miller. He stepfather was Solomon Carrick. All preceded her in death.

She is survived by two daughters, Sharon Kay Coplin of Avilla and Dona Lea Griffin of Butler; three sons, James A. Woodward of Garrett, Rudy Kleinknight of Fremont and Ron Kleinknight of Forsythe, Ga.; three sisters, Wilma (June) Kaley of Phoenix, Ariz., Clara Bontrager of Scottsdale, Ariz. and Charlotte Meade of Martinsburg, W.V.; 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. at McComb Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home in Auburn.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home with the Rev. Lois E. Watkins, pastor of the LaOtto Wesleyan Church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association or the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Mildred Cart

LAGRANGE — Mildred Jean Cart, 75, of rural LaGrange, died Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born in Noble County on July 15, 1923, to Washington C. and Florence (Stevenson) Parker. On Nov. 10, 1943, in Albion, she married John J. Cart. He survives.

Mrs. Cart, a homemaker, moved from Noble County to LaGrange County in 1943. She was a member of Valentine United Methodist Church, Disabled American Veterans and Johnson Township Extension Homemakers' Club. She was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Women's Army Corps.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Roger (Patricia) Bauman of LaGrange; two sons, Dennis L. Cart of Jonesboro, and Thomas J. Cart of Angola; a sister, Mrs. Harry (Mary Louise) Dafforn of Columbia City; a brother, Joseph L. Parker of Kendallville; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with the Rev. Titus Speicher Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, LaGrange.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home..

Preferred memorials are to Valentine United Methodist Church.

Area Deaths

MERRIAM — **Vera Winebrenner**, 93, died Wednesday. Graveside services at 11 a.m. Friday in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam. No calling.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Earl L. Hazen**, 74, died Wednesday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Juanita Lucille McDonald**, 86, died Tuesday. Graveside services were today in Wilmot.

Richard Donat

ROME CITY — Richard E. Donat, 59, of Rome City, died at 3:42 p.m. Wednesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. Although he had been ill since June, his death was unexpected.

He was born in Kendallville July 27, 1939, to C.M. and Gertrude Anna (Thomas) Donat. On July 8, 1961, in Rome City, he married Marilyn Walter. She survives.

Mr. Donat, a lifetime area resident, was a former partner in C.M. Donat & Sons Pepsi Distributors in Rome City, retiring in 1991. He was presently a Realtor for Schrock Realtors in LaGrange. He was a member of Rome City United Methodist Church and a charter member of the Rome City Chamber of Commerce.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Dawn M. Way and Christine M. Hartman, both of Kendallville, and Kathleen A. DeMuyt of Rome City; a son, Terry L. Donat of Kendallville; a sister, Doris E. Bailey of Muncie; three brothers, Walter "Ed" Donat and Larry L. Donat, both of Rome City, and Herbert L. Donat of Waterloo; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Junior Donat, on July 7, 1977.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with the Rev. Dr. Harold North officiating. Burial will be in Orange Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society or Rome City United Methodist Church.

The Evening Star, Fri., Oct. 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Maxine Skinner

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Maxine C. Skinner, 82, died Oct. 20 in Lakeland Regional Medical Center in Lakeland, Fla.

She graduated from Hicksville High School with the class of 1937 and was a former resident of the Hicksville area. She lived in Flint, Mich., where she worked for Consumers Power Co. for 38 years. She moved to Lakeland in 1973.

She was born Nov. 13, 1916, in Bryan, Ohio, to the late James and Dessie Evans Cromwell.

Surviving her are her husband, Robert; one brother, Harold Cromwell of Hicksville; and two sisters, Virginia Thomas of Auburn and JoAnne Wise of Garrett.

One sister and five brothers preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. John Naugle, pastor of the Hicksville First Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Betty McCord

NORRISTOWN, Pa. — Betty M. McCord, 76, of Norristown, Pa., died Monday in Suburban General Hospital in Norristown.

She was born May 12, 1922, in Fort Wayne to William P. and Ola B. (Wyrick) Altekruse. She was a member of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Norristown and a volunteer with Meals on Wheels.

Surviving are her husband of 52 years, Kyle W. McCord; two sons, Geoffrey K. McCord of Auburn, and Michael T. McCord of Norristown; five daughters, Joyce C. McCord of Norristown, Janet M. Leas of Pottstown, Pa., Rebecca D. Cartwright of Garrett, Mary A. McCord of Lansdowne, Pa., and Laura L. McCord of Lampasas, Texas; 11 grandchildren; two brothers, Max Altekruse of Bloomfield Hill, Mich., and Ned R. Altekruse of Fort Wayne; and a sister, Mary L. Rietdorf of Fort Wayne.

Memorial services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, with the Rev. Keith Kriesel officiating.

Preferred memorials are to St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Norristown, or to the National Kidney Foundation Inc.

David J. Boyko Funeral Home in Macungi, Pa., is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **E. Eugene Whitacre**, 84, died Wednesday. Services were today in Syracuse.

The Evening Star, Sat., Oct. 31, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Estill Crager

GARRETT — Estill Crager, 65, of Garrett, died Friday morning at his residence.

Mr. Crager was a factory worker at Kitchen Quip and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars post in Garrett.

He was born June 30, 1933, in Gunlock, Ky., to Jimmy Crager and Effie (Sheppard) Crager of Floyd County, Ky. His father preceded him in death and his mother survives in Floyd County.

He married Ruby Stevens in 1956 in Martin, Ky. She preceded him in death on Feb. 15, 1983.

Also surviving are a son, David Crager of Garrett; four brothers, Cletis Crager of Avilla, Herman Crager of Corunna, and Norman Crager and Vernon Crager, both of Hueysville, Ky.; and two sisters, Ruth Wallace of Hueysville, Ky., and Marie Hick of Kendallville.

Friends may call Monday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

His funeral service will begin at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with the Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Norma Smith

BENTON HARBOR, Mich. — Norma J. Smith, 63, of Benton Harbor, Mich., died Friday at home in the loving arms of her family.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a 15-year member of the Stevensville, Mich., American Legion Post Women's Auxiliary. She lived her life for her husband, children and grandchildren. Her favorite pastime was playing bingo.

She was born April 2, 1935, in Benton Harbor, Mich., to the late Amelia (Roos) and Gustav Richter.

She was married to Roger Smith, who survives her.

Also surviving are a sister, Elfrieda Shembarger of Berrien Center, Mich.; two daughters, Mrs. (Jerry) Rebecca Doehrer of Baroda, Mich., and Mrs. Sheila (Dan) Van Gordon of Angola; three sons, Carl Jones (and wife Mary) and Arthur Jones, both of Stevensville, Mich., and William Smith of Benton Harbor, Mich.; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Also preceding her in death were two brothers, Alfred and Elmer Richter.

The family will meet with callers Monday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Fairplain Chapel Florin Funeral Service in Benton Harbor.

Funeral services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Burial will be in North Shore Memory Gardens in Coloma, Mich.

Memorial donations may be made to Berrien County Cancer Service, 7301 Red Arrow Highway, Stevensville, Mich.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Loretta Martin**, 54, of Kendallville, died Friday in Warsaw. Friends may call at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville tonight from 6-8. Services Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

LAGRANGE — **Willie Jent Sr.**, 65, of LaGrange, died Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. A private graveside service will be conducted today at 11 a.m. in Mongo Community Cemetery.

Deaths/Funerals

Terry Jarnagin

GARRETT — Terry L. Jarnagin, 44, died Tuesday in his Garrett home. He was a former employee of the Magnavox Co.

Mr. Jarnagin was born Dec. 23, 1953, in Garrett to Herbert and Margaret (Isham) Jarnagin. His father survives in Auburn and his mother is deceased.

Also surviving him are one son, Joshua of Auburn; two daughters, Christine Jarnagin of Garrett and Nicole Jarnagin of Auburn; four brothers, Gary, Harold, Mitchell and Tim, all of Auburn; two sisters, Julie Hoffman and Berniece Steller, both of Auburn; and two grandchildren, Tyler and Isaac Jarnagin.

One sister, Beverly Darlene Jarnagin, preceded him in death.

His funeral service took place today at 11 a.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Kathlyn Flassig

FREMONT — Kathlyn E. Flassig, 77, died Friday in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Flassig was a homemaker and lived at Snow Lake, Fremont. She was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 4244 and the Lady Elks.

She was born July 9, 1921, in Chicago to the late Frank and Mary (Michaels) Schoenecker.

She married Robert Flassig on June 19, 1949, in Blue Island, Ill., and he survives.

Also surviving are one son, Robert of Angola; one daughter, Cheryl Schoppelry of Mokena, Ill.; two brothers, Harold Schoenecker of Oak Forest, Ill., and Frank Schoenecker of Bradenton, Fla.; two sisters, Dorothy Majures of Middleoak, Ill., and Donna Belsanti of Oak Forest; and two grandchildren, Sarah and Justin.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Her funeral service will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home.

Rudolph Herren

ANGOLA — Rudolph "Rudy" R. Herren, 73, of Angola, died Saturday at his home.

Mr. Herren was a pile driver for Carpenters Union.

He was born March 3, 1925, in Cincinnati to the John and Myrtle (Merton) Herren.

In 1951, he married Mildred (Korrok) Herren, who preceded him in death on Nov. 10, 1996.

Surviving are his mother, Myrtle R. Goodall, of Cincinnati; two sons, Roger Herren of Edgerton, Ohio, and Keith Herren of Redford, Mich.; four daughters, Sandra Krontz and Sharon Collins, both of Edgerton, Carol Compagnoni of Farmington, Mich., and Patty Hopson of Fremont; a brother, Joseph Goodall of Cincinnati; two sisters, Betty Hilliard of Pompano Beach, Fla., and Ginny Brown of Cincinnati; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Private family services are planned at a later date. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Gary Engle

ORLAND — Gary D. Engle, 49, died Sunday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was employed by Machine Rite Products in LaGrange as a maintenance worker. He was a Vietnam veteran.

Mr. Engle was born Aug. 17, 1949, in Angola to Willard and Norma (Straw) Engle. His mother survives in Orland and his father is deceased.

He married Rhonda Atkins on March 14, 1970, in Orland, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Laura Engle of Orland; two sons, Matthew and Jesse, both of Orland; one sister, Cindy Graham of Orland; and one brother, Wesley Engle of Angola.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

His funeral service will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with Joseph Everly officiating. Burial will take place in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

Memorial contributions may be given to Orland Fire and Rescue.

Fredric Pifer

UNION CITY, Mich. — Fredric H. Pifer, 89, died Saturday at The Laurels of Coldwater.

Mr. Pifer farmed and drove a school bus in Union City, and retired from Eatons in Battle Creek as a machinist in 1974. He was a member of Ropp's Fleetwing Delray Camping Club and Eatons 25-Year Club.

He was born April 3, 1909, in Kinderhook, Mich., to the late Carlos and Elizabeth (Bailey) Pifer.

He married Vesta M. Fisher on Feb. 26, 1930, in Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Leon of Athens, Mich., Harold C. of Union City and Phillip A. of Greenfield, Ind.; one daughter, Janet M. of Marunde of Spalding, Mich., one brother, Cleo of Chieftain, Fla.; 19 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Beverly, in 1932; one son, Albert C., in 1995; five sisters and three brothers.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Putnam Funeral Home, Coldwater.

His funeral service will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor John Benham officiating. Burial will take place in California Corners Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Athens-Union City Area Lions Club.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **John Scott Forrester**, 35, died Friday. Services at 4 p.m. Thursday in Oak Grove Church of God, with calling there 30 minutes before services.

The Evening Star, Mon., Nov. 2, 1998 (cont'd)

Charles Baker

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Charles Kenneth "Kenny" Baker, 78, died Saturday at 3 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, where he had been admitted earlier in the day.

He graduated from Sherwood-Delaware High School in the class of 1938. He retired from Landmark in Hicksville in 1985 after 39 years of service. He was a World War II veteran, serving from 1942 through 1946. He was in the European African Middle Eastern Campaign, receiving two Bronze Stars, the Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

Mr. Baker was a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts in Sherwood, Ohio.

He was born Sept. 1, 1920, in Sherwood to the late Charles and Pearl (Schliesser) Baker.

Surviving him are four sisters, Evelyn Laberdee of Toledo, Ohio, Mable Spangler of Defiance, Ohio, and Freda Breckler and Fonda Keys, both of Sherwood; and three brothers, Royce Baker of Attica, Ohio, Ray Baker of Hamilton, Ohio, and Loren Baker of Willard, Ohio.

Friends may call today after 2 p.m. and Tuesday after 9 a.m. in the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

His funeral service will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Robert Ebly officiating. Burial will be in the Sherwood Cemetery, with a graveside service conducted by Sherwood VFW Post 5665.

Pauline Tulley

LAGRANGE — Pauline M. "Polly" Tulley, 68, of LaGrange, died at 5:15 p.m. Saturday in St. Joseph Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

She was born in Los Angeles July 10, 1930, to Mac and Gladys (Cummins) Lewis. On May 2, 1952, in Millvalley, Calif., she married Milo "Mike" L. Tulley. He preceded her in death March 24, 1990.

Mrs. Tulley was a 1948 graduate of Blue Springs High School in Blue Springs, Mo. She had been employed by Wal-Mart in Angola for five years. She had lived in rural LaGrange for 22 years, coming from New Haven, and was a member of the Salem Center Presbyterian Church, and American Legion Post 330 Auxiliary in New Haven.

Surviving are two daughters, Carla Tulley of Buffalo Grove, Ill., and Susan Fallano of Kissimmee, Fla.; two sons, Mikel and Chester "Chet" Tulley, both of New Haven; a sister, Beverly Pointer of Independence, Mo.; a brother, Charles Lewis of Wake Forest, N.C.; six grandchildren, Jon Brown, Kevin Tulley, Casey Tulley, Christopher Tulley, Jensen Tulley and David Gedman; and two great-grandchildren, Dalton Brown and Zachary Cousino.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Simpson, and a sister, Shirley Wilson.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Howard Compton officiating. Burial will be in Lake Bethel Cemetery, rural Ligonier.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Salem Center Presbyterian Church.

Charles Timmis

ASHLEY — Charles W. Timmis, 61, of Ashley, died Saturday in the V.A. Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Katie Kauffman

LAGRANGE — Katie Kauffman, 80, of LaGrange, died Sunday in Elkhart General Hospital.

A LaGrange County native, she was a homemaker. She had been bookkeeper for the family construction business and a cook at Oaklawn Hospital from 1972-97. She was a past president of the Women's Sewing Circle of Pleasant View Mennonite Church.

Surviving are her husband, Milo; a daughter, Rosetta Koch of Spencerville; two sons, Maynard J. Kauffman of Millersburg, and Cheryle D. Kauffman of Sarasota, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Pleasant View Mennonite Church, Goshen. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery, Goshen.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Yoder-Culp Funeral Home in Goshen, and one hour before services at the church.

Preferred memorials are to Pleasant View Mennonite Church or the Oaklawn Foundation.

Deaths/Funerals

R. Keith Ulm

BUTLER — R. Keith Ulm, 77, died Monday at 8:45 a.m. in Park View Nursing Center in Edgerton, Ohio.

Mr. Ulm was vice president of engineering at Universal Tool & Stamping, Butler, for 35 years, retiring in 1987. He was a lifelong Butler resident and served in the Army Air Corps from 1942 to 1943. He also owned and operated Ulm's Soda Shop from 1945 to 1948 in Butler.

He was a member of the Butler Church of Christ and served on the DeKalb Eastern Community school board. He was on the board of directors for DeKalb Memorial Hospital when it was built in 1964.

He was born Feb. 3, 1921, in Butler to the late James Robert and Nellie (Scholes) Ulm.

He married Treeva R. Houck on Nov. 14, 1942, in Tennessee, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Terry and Bruce, both of Butler; two daughters, Robyn Smith of Fort Wayne and Nancy Miu of Marlette, Mich.; four brothers, Grant Leon Ulm and Reign Ulm, both of Fort Wayne, Clare Ulm of Venice, Fla., and Dwight Ulm of Clearwater, Fla.; one sister, Floy Smith of Indianapolis; nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 6-9 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

His funeral service will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Butler Church of Christ. The Rev. Frank E. Weller, the Rev. Douglas E. Holley, and the Rev. Wayne Michael will officiate. Burial will take place in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Butler Church of Christ.

Versel Rathbun

FREMONT — Versel A. Rathbun, 86, died Sunday at his home.

Mr. Rathbun was a retired machine operator for Dana Corp., Weatherhead Division, in Angola. He enjoyed his produce garden and fishing. He also owned and operated a produce business, The Garden of Eatin'.

He was born Aug. 30, 1912, to the late Kenneth and Zena (Fisher) Rathbun in Steuben County.

On Jan. 1, 1935, he married Esther (Blauser) Rathbun, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, George Rathbun of Orland; four daughters, Mrs. Ronnie (Sandra) Reed of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Richard "Bart" (Sue) Hand of Kalamazoo, Mich., Sally Walters of Paradise, Calif., and Mrs. Tom (Shelia) Harrington of Muskogee, Okla.; two brothers, Harold and Lyle Rathbun, both of Coldwater, Mich.; a sister, Carol Bowers of Sturgis, Mich.; 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were a son, James Rathbun, in 1971; and two brothers, Vere and Marion Rathbun.

Friends may call after 1 p.m. Saturday at Jamestown Church in rural Fremont. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m. in the church with the Rev. Dale Gerig officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the League of the Blind. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Area Deaths

HOWE — **Harold E. Shultz**, 86, died Monday. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Wednesday.

TOPEKA — **Marie Y. Sheley**, 73, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Topeka Baptist Church with calling there from 4-8 p.m. today.

Howard Conine

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Howard L. Conine, 84, died Monday at 6:40 a.m. in Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital. He had been admitted to the hospital Thursday.

Mr. Conine was a farmer his entire life. He was a member of Hicksville First Presbyterian Church, a charter member of the Hicksville Eagles Lodge, and a past member of the Milford Township Grange.

He was born March 25, 1914, in Hicksville Township, Defiance County, Ohio, to the late Ray and Dottie (Brace) Conine.

He married Flossie Sigler on April 28, 1937, in Union Mills, Ind., and she died Nov. 24, 1988.

Surviving him are one son, Rex of Hicksville; and one grandson, Trevor Conine of Fort Wayne.

Friends may call today after 4 p.m. and Wednesday after 9 a.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. An Eagles service will be conducted tonight at 8 in the funeral home.

His funeral service will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor John Naugle officiating. Burial will take place in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial contributions may be given to First Presbyterian Church, Hicksville, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Paul Rositer

FORT WAYNE — Paul E. Rositer, 74, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

A native of Albion, Pa., he retired in 1982 from Motor Freight Express after 26 years.

Surviving are his wife, Vera G.; four daughters, Linda Antonino of Murrells Inlet, S.C., Gwen Odem of Albion, Rose McCormick of Auburn, and Judy Kipler of Angola, N.Y.; three sons, Joseph Friend, George Friend and Vernon Friend, all of Fort Wayne; 16 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Private family services will be held.

Visitation is from 6:30-8:30 p.m. today in C.M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home, 1327 Wells St.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Deaths/Funerals

L'Vera Timbrook

WATERLOO — L'Vera E. Timbrook, 85, died Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was a housekeeper for Father Matthew Lange for over 40 years, and lived on County Road 39, Waterloo. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo.

Mrs. Timbrook was born Feb. 26, 1913, in Detroit, Mich., to the late William and Marie (McGowan) Caisley.

She married Carleton Timbrook on April 4, 1932 in Albion, and he died Nov. 3, 1970.

Surviving her are one daughter and son-in-law, Pearleen "Sandy" and Donald Wurm of Colorado Springs, Colo.; four grandchildren, Carl Wurm of Colorado Springs, Brenda Byrnes of Gaitersburg, Md., Charlene Sheldon of Colorado City, Colo., and Theresa A. Bray of Plano, Texas; and three great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A rosary service will be conducted Thursday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Her funeral service will be held Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church, with Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will take place in the Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to the church.

Charles Timmis

ASHLEY — Charles W. Timmis, 61, of Ashley, died Saturday in the V.A. Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Jan. 26, 1937, in LaGrange to Maynard and Lula (Frick) Timmis. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and a member of American Legion Post 202, Butler. He was a truck driver.

Surviving are a son, Charles Timmis Jr. of St. Joe; a daughter, Mrs. Chris (Katrina) Forbes of Waterloo; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Randy (Kim) Harman of Avilla; a stepson, David Franklin of Avilla; a sister, Janna Praul of Butler; one grandchild and two stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Art Timmis, and two sisters, Janis Timmis and Darlene Timmis.

Graveside services will be held at a later date in Greenwood Cemetery.

Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

Sandra English

ANGOLA — Sandra English, 55, died Tuesday at her Angola home.

Mrs. English was an assembly worker for Trans Guard Industries Inc. She formerly worked at Kroger, Dana-Weatherhead and Angola Wire. She was owner of Artesian Ceramics and Artesian Stables, and was a member of the National Barrel Horses Association. She lived in Angola all of her life.

She was born Feb. 1, 1943, in Angola to the late Harry and Ruth (Cool) Wilson.

On Feb. 14, 1997, she married Olen English, who survives her.

Also surviving are a son, Craig Gaff of Angola; two daughters, Shelly Orten of Rockford, Tenn., and Kelly Powell of Litchfield, Mich.; two stepsons, Richard English of Coldwater, Mich., and Kevin English of Quincy, Mich.; one stepdaughter, Diana Acker of Bronson, Mich.; three grandchildren and six step-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 4-8 p.m. at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola.

Graveside services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in Jamestown Cemetery in Steuben County, with the Rev. Donald Rauhut of Cameron Hospital and Hospice Services officiating.

Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Society. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home.

Opal Ramsey

CHICO, Calif. — Opal Evelyn Ramsey, 86, of Chico, died Monday in California Park Lake from an apparent drowning.

Mrs. Ramsey worked in real estate and was a member of the Board of Realty in Fullerton, Calif. She enjoyed gardening, traveling and reading, especially the Bible, and was known as being very religious. She was a past member of Garden Grove Community Church.

She was born Feb. 24, 1913, in Kendallville to the late Henry and Elizabeth Frehse. She graduated from Kendallville High School in 1931 and married Benjamin Ramsey on Sept. 6, 1931, in Kokomo.

She moved to Pleasant Lake in 1952 and to Chico, Calif., in 1976.

Surviving her are a son, Richard Ramsey of Chico, Calif.; a daughter, Patricia Bogel of Fort Wayne; a brother, Lowell Frehse of Kendallville; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Friends will call Thursday from 4-8 p.m. (California time) at Newton-Bracewell Chico Funeral Home in Chico. Funeral services will begin at 1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association in care of the funeral home.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **James Brady Jr.**, 76, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Nov. 5, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Vicki Tschannen

ORLAND — Vicki L. Tschannen, 51, of rural Orland, died at 12:56 a.m. Wednesday in Vencor Hospital-LaGrange.

She was born June 6, 1947, in Sturgis, Mich., to Wilbur and Margaret (Neihardt) Hawk. Her father survives in Ligonier. On May 20, 1967, in Fort Wayne, she married Robert Tschannen. He also survives.

Mrs. Tschannen had worked as a medical transcriptionist for some area hospitals and later was self-employed as a medical transcriptionist. She was a member of American Legion Post 423 in Orland.

Surviving with her husband and father are three sons, Greg Tschannen of LaGrange, and Bryan Tschannen and Chad Tschannen, both of Orland; a sister, Mrs. Clifford (Nancy) Smith of Three Rivers, Mich.; and two brothers, Keith Hawk and Michael Hawk, both of Howe.

She was preceded in death by her mother in 1983.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe, with the Rev. Jim Collins officiating.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the LaGrange County Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Rex R. Bodenhafer**, 86, died Wednesday. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

KIMMELL — **Tim Miller**, 17, died Tuesday at the site of a car-truck accident on U.S. 33 and Cromwell Road near Kimmell. Services at 1 p.m. Friday in Bible Baptist Church, Ligonier, with calling there 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday.

ORLAND — **Vicki L. Tschannen**, 51, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe, with calling there

COLUMBIA CITY — **Helen O. Fenker**, 74, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Fri., Nov. 6, 1998

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Mildred M. Thorn Stump**, 94, of Columbia City, died at 7:08 a.m. Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday.

The Evening Star, Sat., Nov. 7, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Rose Marie Fetters

ST. JOE — Rose Marie (Cool) Fetters, 66, died Friday at 11:30 a.m.

Mrs. Fetters was retired from her career as teacher for the DeKalb Eastern school district. She was a member of the Spencerville Eastern Star organization and the Retired Teachers Association.

She was born May 6, 1932, in Auburn to the late Robert and Helen (Maxwell) Cool. Her father remarried a year later to her stepmother, Helen Elizabeth (Daniels), who is also deceased.

On June 21, 1964, she married Walter L. Fetters in Auburn. He preceded her in death on Dec. 1, 1990.

Mrs. Fetters is survived by a daughter, Lisa Ann Fetters of St. Joe; and a granddaughter, Amanda Lynn Fetters, also of St. Joe.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-6 p.m. at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville.

Services will be conducted Monday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Dr. Jack Lewis Pursell, interim pastor at Auburn Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

AnnaBelle Smith Walter

HUNTINGTON — AnnaBelle Smith Walter, 81, of Huntington, died Friday at 1 a.m. at her son's home.

She was a homemaker. She was born Dec. 31, 1916, in Fremont to the late Burt and Josephine (Rouden) Eisenhower. She married Herman Smith, who preceded her in death in 1971. She then married Denis Walter, who died in 1995.

She is survived by a son, Phillip Smith of Huntington; a daughter, Mrs. Sharon Rumohr of Jackson, Mich.; a half-brother, Edward McElhenie of California; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home, with the Rev. John Benham officiating. Burial will be in Teeters Cemetery, Fremont

Memorial contributions may be given to Parkview Hospital Home Health Care in Huntington.

The Evening Star, Mon., Nov. 9, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Fern DePriest

BUTLER — Fern R. DePriest, 84, died Sunday at 9:20 a.m. in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mrs. DePriest was a housewife and farmer, and was a member of the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church.

She was born Feb. 16, 1914, in Middlebury, Ohio, to the late William and Amilia (Hannifius) Smith.

She married Roger Shultz on Aug. 8, 1931, and he died in 1961. She married James DePriest in 1962 and he died in 1981.

Surviving her are one stepson, George DePriest of Detroit, Mich.; one stepdaughter, Juanita Pierce of Michigan; 10 stepgrandchildren, several nieces and nephews, including Howard Kiser of Butler; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by one stepson, one stepdaughter, three brothers, Roy, Orville and Henry Smith, and one sister, Mable Kiser.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Her funeral service will be conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Tony Brooks of the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Dick Cearbaugh

ORLAND — Dick D. Cearbaugh, 72, died Sunday afternoon at his home in Orland.

Mr. Cearbaugh retired in 1976 after 30 years of working as an assembler at Dana Corp. For the last 20 years, he spent winters in Okeechobee, Fla. He also worked at the Grace Brethren Church in Okeechobee. He was a World War II Army veteran and a member of the Oakview Baptist Church in Okeechobee.

He was born June 6, 1926, to the late Clarence and Edna (Mettler) Cearbaugh in Columbia City.

On Nov. 25, 1947, in Columbia City, he married Sylvia Pineo. She survives in Orland.

Also surviving are four sons, Michael of Angola, Duane of Angola, Dewitt of St. Joe, and Jerry of Roanoke; two daughters, Sharon Stalcup of St. Joe and Donna Bissell of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Kenneth of Okeechobee, Fla., and Jack of Raleigh, N.C.; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were three brothers, Harvey, Glenn and Bill; and a sister, Sally Routh.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville.

Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home, with Pastor Wayne Smith officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Option Care, 3722 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne IN 46805; or Cameron Home Health Care & Hospice, 416 E. Maumee St., Angola IN 46703.

Leo Radcliff

HAMILTON — Leo Lewis Radcliff, 85, died Friday morning in Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Radcliff moved to Hamilton in 1944 from Fort Wayne to start a feed and grain business, from which he retired in 1963. He worked 11 years as a foreman for Warner Gear in Auburn, retiring in 1978.

He was a member of the Hamilton United Methodist Church and a lay delegate to the annual United Methodist Church Conference, was a former member of the Hamilton Lions Club, and served as a councilman for the town of Hamilton for many years.

He was born April 18, 1913, in Koscuisko County to the late Willard and Florence (Circle) Radcliff.

His first wife, Helen "Bonnie" (Goudy) Radcliff, died in 1984.

He married Ruth Briner Walberry on Feb. 14, 1987, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Larry of Hamilton; one daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Jerry Houlton of Hamilton; three grandchildren and one great-grandson.

One sister, Pearl Merrick, preceded him in death.

His funeral service was conducted today at 11 a.m. in the Hamilton United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Ed Clark officiating. Burial took place in the Hamilton Cemetery. Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Dennis Hornett

AUBURN — Dennis D. Hornett, 65, died Saturday at 12:39 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Hornett was a resident of Sunny Meadows Farm and a former member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett. He was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was born Dec. 13, 1932, in DeKalb County to the late Helen (Hewitt) and Charles Hornett Sr.

Surviving him are one son, Michael of Auburn; three daughters, Kathy Schurr of Auburn, Darlene Collingsworth of Florida and Sheryl McCartney of Avilla; one brother, Harry of Waterloo; three sisters, Norma Rhoades of Fort Wayne, Barbara Ronan of Marshall, Mich., and Judy Witherspoon of Garrett; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One daughter, Christine Hornett, and one brother, Charles Hornett Jr., preceded him in death.

His funeral service will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, where friends may call after noon. The Rev. John Hostetter will officiate, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Ward Shippy

KENDALLVILLE — Ward E. Shippy, 90, of rural Kendallville, died Saturday at 5:45 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mr. Shippy was a farmer in Richland Township of DeKalb County and drove a bus for DeKalb Central Schools for 20 years.

He was born April, 21, 1908, in DeKalb County. His parents were the late Isaac Nathan Shippy and Bertha (Vale) Hons. His mother later remarried.

On March 19, 1932, in Kokomo, he married Flossie Charleswood. She survives.

Also surviving are a son, Edison of Kendallville; a daughter, Valetta Gibson of Kendallville; six step-grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were four sisters, Beatrice Lasho, Georgia Gerst, Ruth Hammond and Ileth Bherns; and three brothers, Estel, Frank and Harry.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Richard Pickard officiating. Burial will be in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Corunna Fire Department.

Sylvester Zonker

CORUNNA — Sylvester A. Zonker, 86, died Friday at 10:22 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mr. Zonker retired from Commercial Shearing in Butler in 1979, and was a Richland Township poultry farmer. He was a member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Noble County.

He was born Jan. 25, 1912, in Waterloo to the late Anthony J. and Odessa (Hathaway) Zonker.

He married Evelyn Moughler in 1933 and she died in September 1980.

Surviving him are two sons, Jerry of Auburn and Gary of Kendallville; two daughters, Nancy Stonebraker of Corunna and Sheila Miller of Harlan; one sister, Lavern Anderson of Marshall, Mich.; eight grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

One sister, Marvel Shultz, preceded him in death.

His funeral service took place today at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Darren Langford officiating. Burial was in Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice or the DeKalb County Unit of the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 722, Auburn IN 46706.

James Shook

ANGOLA — James D. Shook, 66, of Angola, died Friday at his home.

Mr. Shook moved to Steuben County from New York state in 1980. He was a salesman for Dunham Motors and worked in construction.

He was born Sept. 26, 1932, in Bergenfield, N.J., to the late Herbert and Ruth (Coggins) Shook.

Surviving are two sons, Chris Shook of Angola, and James Shook Jr. of Lantana, Fla.; two daughters, Stacy Stowe of Angola, and Linda Shook of Leland, Fla.; two brothers, Herbert Shook of Lakehurst, N.J., and Robert Shook of Kennebunkport, Maine; three sisters, Ruth Malaney of West Wood, N.J., Cathy Schmid of New Brighton, Pa., and Joann Earl of Blairsville, Ga.; his ex-wife, Joan Shook of Angola; and five grandchildren.

There will be no calling or services. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Lucy B. Weeks**, 86, died Friday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church, rural Kendallville. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion.

AVILLA — **Christina R. Hicks**, 28, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Tuesday.

CHURUBUSCO — **John Ford**, 66, Churubusco businessman and civic leader, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Churubusco United Methodist Church. Calling 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and 2-9 p.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

SHIPSHEWANA — **Ben B. Miller**, 77, died Saturday. Services at 9:30 a.m. in LaVern Bontrager Community Building, corner of U.S. 20 and C.R. 850W, Shipshewana. Calling after 3 p.m. today and all day Tuesday in the William Henry Yoder residence, 1235N — 850W, Shipshewana.

The Evening Star, Tues., Nov. 10, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Paul Underwood

PLEASANT LAKE — Paul E. Underwood, 71, of Pleasant Lake, died Sunday at 7:40 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Underwood was an interior decorator. He was born March 23, 1927, in Belleville, Ill., to the late John O. and Dora (Taylor) Underwood.

On March 5, 1972, he married Christine (Garman) Underwood, who survives at home.

Also surviving are three daughters, Yvonne Blair of Hamilton; Sheila (and husband, David) Cole of Auburn, and Kathy Wilson of Warsaw; a son, Kevin Underwood of Angola; three sisters, Inez (and husband, Ed) Wilson of California, Dorothy (and husband, Andrew) Jingle of Belleville, and Nomalee Benson of Baden, Ill.; a brother, Richard Underwood of Belleville; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and a sister.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with Brother Vern Sawvel officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the family.

Cecelia Traut

ARCHBOLD, Ohio — Cecelia O. Traut, 88, died Sunday afternoon at Fairlawn Haven in Archbold, where she had resided since Feb. 28, 1997.

A resident of the Archbold area since 1931, she and her husband owned and operated the Joe Traut Turkey Farm north of Archbold for many years. She served on the Franklin Township Board of Elections for many years. She was an active member of St. James Lutheran Church in Burlington, and a member of the Franklin Friendly Folks Extension Club.

Mrs. Traut was born Sept. 2, 1910, in Wood County, Ohio, to the late Anthony and Ethel (Chevalier) Morlock.

She married Joseph N. Traut on March 26, 1931, and he died Feb. 16, 1996.

Surviving her are three daughters, Lois Young of Hillsdale, Mich., Eunice Winzeler of Fayette, Ohio, and Ethel Kallsen of Coronado, Calif.; two sisters, Frances Van Leuven of Auburn and Mary Pfahler of Coopersville, Mich.; nine grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A brother, Tony Morlock, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-9 p.m. in the Short Funeral Home, Archbold.

Her funeral service will beThursday at 10:30 a.m. in St. James Lutheran Church, Burlington, Ohio, with Pastor James Strawn officiating. Burial will be in Johnson Cemetery near Archbold.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church.

Ward Shippy

KENDALLVILLE — Ward E. Shippy, 90, of rural Kendallville, died Saturday at 5:45 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mr. Shippy was a farmer in Richland Township of DeKalb County and drove a bus for DeKalb Central Schools for 20 years.

He was born April, 21, 1908, in DeKalb County. His parents were the late Isaac Nathan Shippy and Bertha (Vale) Hons. His mother later remarried.

On March 19, 1932, in Kokomo, he married Flossie Charleswood. She survives.

Also surviving are a son, Edison of Kendallville; a daughter, Valetta Gibson of Kendallville; four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were four sisters, Beatrice Lasho, Georgia Gerst, Ruth Hammond and Ileth Bherns; and three brothers, Estel, Frank and Harry.

Friends may call today from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Richard Pickard officiating. Burial will be in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Corunna Fire Department.

Paul Laux

MICHIGAN CITY — Paul A. Laux, 50, died Saturday at 9:31 p.m. in St. Anthony Memorial Health Center in Michigan City.

Mr. Laux was a teacher for the Michigan City Area Schools for 25 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. He held a pilot's license and enjoyed flying.

He was a member of the Coolspring Township Volunteer Fire Department for 16 years and a past chief, training officer and board member. He was a member of the Michigan City Red Cross Board and Concord Lodge, F.& A.M., Spencerville. He was a former member of the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Laux was born April 7, 1948, in Garrett. His mother, Virginia Rugman Laux, survives in Leesburg, Fla., and his father, Virgil Laux, is deceased.

He married Theresa "Terri" Maher on June 9, 1973, in Mount Vernon, Ind., and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Brent and Todd, both of Michigan City; one sister, Lerene Salisbury of Clinton, Ind.; and three grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Root Funeral Home, Michigan City. Acme Lodge 83 of Michigan City will conduct a Masonic service tonight at 7:30 in the funeral home.

His funeral service will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Queen of All Saints Church, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. William O'Toole will officiate. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Coolspring Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Mildred K. Moore

MT. ORAB, Ohio — Mildred K. (Spry) Moore of Mount Orab, Ohio, died Saturday at 3 a.m. in the Clermont County Mercy Hospital in Milford, Ohio.

Her husband, Velmer B. Moore, preceded her in death.

Surviving are three daughters, Stella A. Crissman of Butler, June C. Lindsey of Goshen, Ohio, and Vicki L. Porada of Tiffin, Ohio; one son, Ralph E. Moore of Wilmington, N.C.; one sister, Ann Jarvis of Ruskin, Fla.; 10 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Friends may call tonight from 6-8 in the Evans Funeral Home in Milford. A service will follow at 8 p.m., conducted by local members of the Eastern Star. Private burial services will be in the White Cemetery in London, Ky.

Memorial donations may be given to the Hospice of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Fred Bandy**, 67, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-7 p.m. Wednesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Thomas Lynn Fuller

AVILLA — Thomas Lynn Fuller, 70, died Tuesday morning in The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Mr. Fuller retired in 1981 as a Wilmington Township farmer. He lived in Laverna Terrace Apartments in Avilla.

He was born Nov. 6, 1928, in Butler to the late Robert L. and Alice Ida (Larkin) Fuller.

Surviving him are two sons, Rick of St. Joe and Rex of Butler; five grandchildren, Merdith, Natalie, Richelle, Courtney and Blake Fuller; and his former wife, Marcella May Fuller.

One daughter, Vickie, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Al Black officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Children First Center, Auburn.

Junior Hart

COLUMBIA CITY — Junior Leroy "Jake" Hart, 73, did unexpectedly Monday afternoon at his home at Shriner Lake.

He was born in Noble County on Dec. 21, 1924, to Wilbur and Gladys (Hossinger) Hart. On Jan. 12, 1973, he married Jeanette Snyder Wigent. She survives.

Mr. Hart grew up in Noble County and served in the U.S. Army as a military policeman in Japan. He was a police officer with the Albion Police Department for 11 years. He later worked in the carpentry trade for a number of years. He retired from the Essex Corp. and was currently working part time at the Teghtmeyer Ace Hardware. He was a member of St. Matthew's United Methodist Church and American Legion Post. 98. He was also an active woodworker.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Tracy Hart of Columbia City, and Carolyn Eminger of Wawaka; a son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Kathy Hart of Auburn; three stepsons and stepdaughters-in-law, Jeff and D.D. Wigent, James and Stephanie Wigent, and Jody and Abby Wigent, all of Columbia City; four grandsons, Nate and Jason Eminger, and Eric and Mitch Hart; eight stepgrandchildren, Josh, Ashli, Chelsie, Caleb, Noah, Tara, Brad and Brooke Wigent; a sister, Lois Workman of Columbia City; a half-sister, Irene Francis of Corunna; and a half-brother, Clayton Hart of Rome City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Gene, and a sister, Mary Price.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with the Rev. Robert Priest officiating. Burial will be in St. Matthew's Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to St. Matthew's United Methodist Church building fund.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Mae I. DePew**, 86, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there two hours before services.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Wilodene May Julian**, 78, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-5 and 6-9 p.m. Thursday.

Deaths/Funerals

Marvelle Freeze

GARRETT — Marvelle M. Freeze, 82, died Wednesday at 7:42 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Freeze was a homemaker and lived in Garrett. She was a member of the Garrett Eagles Auxiliary and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

She was born July 29, 1916, in Edgerton, Ohio, to the late Phillip and Etta (Herr) Schuller.

Surviving her are her husband, Ronald Freeze; four daughters, Norma Baker of Auburn, Etta Creager of Waterloo, Darlene Baker of Garrett, and Sonia Martin of Hamilton; one son, Maurice Stark of Springfield, Ohio; one stepson, Ronald Freeze of Garrett; one stepdaughter, Karen Stoltz of Fort Wayne; one sister, Phyllis Uhline of Spencerville; several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Two husbands, Maurice Stark and Walter Surface, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral service will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Father Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, Edgerton, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **Mary K. Harris**, 86, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there from 1-2 p.m. Friday.

PIERCETON — **Mary Jean Barnhart**, 78, died at 8:35 p.m. Wednesday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

LAGRANGE — **Keith M. Giggy**, 85, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Sunday in Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Hazel F. Oliver**, 70, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday.

Christine Case

ANGOLA — Christine A. Case, 60, of Angola, died Tuesday at 4:47 p.m. at her residence.

Mrs. Case worked at Cambridge Industries in Ashley.

She was born June 25, 1938, in Detroit to the late Andrew and Ruby (Klieber) Offer.

On Nov. 23, 1956, she married Vernon Paul Case, who preceded her in death on May 2, 1989.

Surviving are a son, Patric Case of Pioneer, Ohio; five daughters, Paula Swartz of North Adams, Mich., Phyllis Baier of Allen Park, Mich., Pearl Mahar of Glendale, Ariz., Pamela Clark of Angola, and Penny Hughes of Burlington, Mich.; two sisters, Sharon Abbott of Tamarac, Fla., and Jackie Klieber of Davie, Fla.; and 15 grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and Friday from 10-11 a.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. Douglas Sarver officiating. Burial will be in Wyllys Cemetery, Cambria Township, Hillsdale County, Mich.

Memorial donations may be made to Parkview Hospice of LaGrange.

Hugh Chapin

FREMONT — Hugh E. Chapin, 90, of Fremont, died at 1 a.m. Wednesday at his residence.

Mr. Chapin worked as a production planner at Dana Corp. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of Fremont United Methodist Church.

He was born Jan. 7, 1908, in Fremont to the late Benjamin F. and Carrie (Elizabeth) Hardy.

On April 17, 1933, he married Geraldine (Hampshire) Chapin, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Joann (and husband, Robert) Mills of Center Conway, N.H., and Gail (and husband, Robert) Roskuski of Fort Wayne; a son, Ben Chapin of Fremont; and five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Fremont United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Gloria Strasser

FORT WAYNE — Gloria P. Strasser, 56, died Wednesday in her Fort Wayne home.

She was co-owner, with her husband, of Strasser Insurance Associates. She was a member of Praise Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Strasser was born March 29, 1942, in Hillsdale, Mich., to the late Lowell L. and Pauline G. (Favorite) Guise.

She married George A. Strasser at Clear Lake in Fremont, and he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Christy L. Burns of Fort Wayne; two sons, Erick A. and Andrew D., both of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mary K. Taliaferro of Jackson, Mich., and Angela Paine of Bryan, Ohio; and nine brothers, Fred Guise and Phillip Guise, both of Atlanta, Alan Guise of Angola, Lowell Guise of Jonesville, Mich., Jeff Guise of Hicksville, Ohio, John Guise of Aurora, Colo., Michael Guise of Torrence, Calif., and Charles Guise and Robert Guise, both of Kalamazoo, Mich.; and four grandchildren.

One sister, Theresa Guise, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 7-9 p.m. and Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Praise Lutheran Church, 1115 W. Dupont Road, Fort Wayne, with calling after 10 a.m. Burial will take place in Clear Lake Lutheran Cemetery, Clear Lake, Fremont.

Memorial contributions may be given to Praise Lutheran Church's music department or Clear Lake Lutheran Church.

The Evening Star, Fri., Nov. 13, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Barnett

ANGOLA — Richard H. Barnett, 77, of Angola, died Wednesday evening at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Thayer Funeral Home in Winchester.

Mary Ruth Goudy

ANGOLA — Mary Ruth Goudy, 82, of Angola, died Tuesday at 7:40 p.m. at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mrs. Goudy was a first-grade teacher at Butler Elementary School, and taught at Ashley and Fairfield elementary schools for five years. She retired from Hamilton Elementary School in 1982.

She was a member of the Angola Christian Church and its Women's Bible Study and Homemakers Circle; a 50-year member of Angola Chapter 78, Order of the Eastern Star; and a member of Psi Iota Xi-Rho Chapter. She graduated in 1938 from Delta State University, and in 1969 she received a master's degree from St. Francis College in Fort Wayne.

She was born Dec. 24, 1915, in Minter City, Miss., to the late James and Mary (Fairchild) Church.

On Aug. 1, 1940, she married George Goudy, who preceded her in death on June 10, 1971.

Surviving are a son, James Goudy of Bloomington; a daughter, Meg Gruin of East Aurora, N.Y.; and five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at1 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe and the Rev. Robert Knowlton officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Council on Aging, the Angola Christian Church and the Lake James Christian Assembly.

William Beedle

ORLAND — William C. Beedle, 79, of Orland, died at 7:30 a.m. Thursday in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

He was born in Logansport, Feb. 23, 1919, to Jesse and Dorothy (Burch) Beedle. On Feb. 11, 1939, in St. Jude's Catholic Church in Fort Wayne, he married Mary M. Armstrong. She preceded him in death Dec. 12, 1991.

Mr. Beedle, a self-employed painter and decorator, was a member of St. Mary's of the Angels Catholic Church at Big Long Lake.

Surviving are a daughter, Debra Critton of Muncie; three sons, Nicholas Beedle of South Milford, Steven Beedle of Denver, Colo., and Jeffrey Beedle; seven grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Conrad Schweibold officiating. Burial will be in Block Cemetery, rural Hudson.

Visitation is two hours before services on Monday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are Masses to St. Mary's of the Angels Catholic Church, Hudson.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Robert C.L. Geiger**, 76, died Wednesday. Private services at the Eel River Cemetery, south of Churubusco. No calling.

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Francis A. Farris**, 75, died Thursday. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, Sat., Nov. 14, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Carol Teague

WATERLOO — Carol M. Teague, 56, died Thursday evening at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Teague was a mobile home escort for Cline Trucking. She had lived in Waterloo for 3 1/2 years.

She was born Jan. 13, 1942, to Robert Walters, who preceded her in death, and Lois Walters of Madera, Calif., who survives.

Also surviving are her husband, Bobby Gene Teague of Waterloo; two daughters, Jillene Teague of Auburn and Melanie Costa of Fresno, Calif.; four sons, Jeffery Burgess, Ronald Burgess and Bart Teague, all of Fresno, Calif., and Randy Burgess of Madera, Calif.; a sister, Robbie Saffel of Fort Myers, Fla.; a brother, David Walters of Japan; and 11n grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Funeral services will be held at Page Funeral Chapel, Selma, Calif., with burial there.

Helen Rimmel Bartlett

FORT WAYNE — Helen E. Rimmel Bartlett, 86, died Thursday at 9:34 a.m. at University Park Nursing Center, Fort Wayne.

She was retired and was a member of the Butler Church of Christ.

She was born Nov. 5, 1912, in Butler to the late Lester and Lottie (McDaniel) Casebere.

Surviving are four daughters, Martha Mapes of Kendallville, Marilyn Schaab and Cynthia K. Miller, both of Fort Wayne, and Sandra Tharp of Phoenix, Ariz.; a stepdaughter, Joan Cramer of Buffalo, N.Y.; a stepson, William Bartlett of Bradenton, Fla.; eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, Raymond and Donald Casebere, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 3-7 p.m. at H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Douglas E. Holley officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Richard H. Barnett

FORT WAYNE — Richard H. Barnett, 77, formerly of Winchester, died Wednesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne after a brief illness.

Mr. Barnett was a United States Air Force veteran where he was a technician during World War II. He operated a typewriter shop in Winchester and was a letter carrier for the Winchester Post Office before retiring in Angola.

He was a member of the Angola Methodist Church, the Rotary Club of Angola, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Loyal Order of the Winchester Moose Lodge No. 1977. He also was a member and docent of the Kalamazoo Air Zoo in Kalamazoo, Mich.

He was born April 8, 1921, in Jonesboro, to Nolan H. and Eula (McDaniel) Barnett. He married Beverly (Stoker) Barnett, who died on April 9, 1991.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey and Nancy Barnett, of Kalamazoo; a daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer and Randy Anderson, of Anderson; a brother and sister-in-law, James Wendell and Mary Barnett, and four grandchildren, Amy Barnett and Ryan, Aaron and Lissa Anderson.

Friends may call Thursday at 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Angola.

A memorial service will be Thursday at 3 p.m. in the church with the Rev. James Butler officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum or the Samaritan Helicopter Fund of Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

356

Deaths/Funerals

Loretta Davis

WATERLOO — Loretta B. Davis, 65, died Saturday at 7 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was a homemaker and lived on County Road 19, Waterloo.

Mrs. Davis was born Sept. 16, 1933, in Sedan in Richland Township to the late Peter and Bertha (Manrow) Sebert.

She married Walter L. Davis on Oct. 18, 1952, in Angola, and he survives.

Also surviving her are three sons, Michael of Butler, Joe of Waterloo and Jerry of Auburn; one daughter, Beatrice Buchs of Garrett; one brother, Albert Sebert of Kendallville; two sisters, Naoma Myers of Auburn and Mary Childs of Fort Worth, Texas; and nine grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be conducted Tuesday at 3 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur Ferry officiating. Burial will follow in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to the Corunna Fire Department.

Mary Coyle

AUBURN — Mary L. Coyle, 85, died Friday in her Auburn home.

Mrs. Coyle was a homemaker. She was born Nov. 20, 1912, in Auburn. She married J.D. Coyle, who died in 1989.

She is survived by a daugther, Deborah Coyle of Auburn; a sister, Joan Knepper of Auburn; and a brother, William Myers of Auburn.

Also preceding her in death were a brother, Donald Myers, and two sisters, Margaret Potter and Bette Grosh.

Friends may call today from 4-7 p.m. at McComb Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home in Auburn.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Tim Culver

ANGOLA — Tim D. Culver, 60, of Angola, died Saturday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Culver, a graduate of Angola High School, moved back to the Angola area about six months ago. He previously lived in Hartford City.

He worked as a pharmacist for Hook's Drugs and retired in 1994. He belonged to the Presbyterian Chapel of the Lakes, Angola, and the First United Presbyterian Church in Hartford City. He was a member and past master of the Hartford City Masonic Temple No. 106; a member of York Rite and Scottish Rite, Valley of Fort Wayne; a member of the Mizpah Shrine Temple; a member of Tall Cedars of Lebanon; and a member of the Blackford County Express, the Blackford County Shrine Club and the Past Master Unit of Hartford City.

Mr. Culver also was a member of the Pokagon Shrine Club, the Angola Elks Lodge and the Angola Moose Lodge. He was the former president of the Hartford City Council.

He was born Oct. 5, 1938, in Angola to the late Donald and Dorothy (Zimmerman) Culver.

On May 2, 1964, he married Lana (Pursley) Culver, who survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Jeff Culver of Indianapolis; a daughter, Julie Smith of Fremont; a brother, Tony Culver of Angola; and a granddaughter, Haley Smith of Fremont.

Services are planned for 11 a.m. Saturday at the First United Presbyterian Church in Hartford City, starting with a Masonic service, with Pastor David Smith officiating, and 4 p.m. Sunday at the Presbyterian Chapel of the Lakes, starting with a Moose service, with the Rev. Thomas Smith officiating.

Friends may call one hour before services. Arrangements are by Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations s may be made to the Shrine Children's Hospitals and the Presbyterian Chapel of the Lakes memorial garden.

Barbara Kessler

FORT WAYNE — Barbara June Kessler, 70, died Friday at 4:04 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She retired from Cooper Tire Co. in 1989 with 30 years of service. She lived in Fort Wayne and formerly lived in Auburn.

Mrs. Kessler was born Nov. 21, 1927, in Auburn to the late Oscar and Vesta (Long) Shull.

She married Willard B. Kessler on Sept. 21, 1949, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Steven W. of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Jerry L. of Auburn; one daughter, Nancy A. McAlpin of New Haven; one sister, Charlotte Fee of Auburn; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One brother, Robert Shull, and one sister, Mary Sawchuck, preceded her in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be held Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Phil Reynolds officiating. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial donations may be given to the Parkinson's Association.

Marlene Lucas

ANTWERP, Ohio — Marlene Z. Lucas, 61, died Sunday at 6 a.m. at her daughter's home in Antwerp.

Mrs. Lucas was a homemaker. She was born July 17, 1937, in Antwerp to James Joseph and Ruth L. (Hill) Jordan. Her mother survives in Antwerp and her father preceded her in death.

She married Richard "Doc" Lucas on Nov. 26, 1955, in Antwerp, and he survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Scott of Angola, Mark of Oakwood, Ohio, Dave of Fort Wayne and Jeff of Antwerp; one daughter, Julie Sigg of Antwerp; one brother, Steve Jordan of Antwerp; and 11 grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp.

Her funeral service will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Jim Edwards officiating. Burial will take place in Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Antwerp Fire Department or Antwerp Friends of the Library.

Evening Star, Allen., Nov. 16, 998 (cont'd)

Roscoe Husted

BUTLER — Roscoe Alvin Husted, 83, of Butler, died Saturday at 1:58 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Husted was employed for 32 years as a service technician at Northern Indiana Fuel & Light Co. in Auburn.

He was born May 14, 1915, in Converse to the late Carl A. and Elva (Rennaker) Husted.

He married Irene M. Mack on Oct. 22, 1934, in Marion. She survives in Butler.

He also is survived by four sons, Rick A. of Butler, William D. of Auburn, James A. of Rock Hill, S.C., and John L. of Rogers, Ark.; four daughters, Patricia A. Collingsworth, Karen F. Blaker and Sharon M. McConnell, all of Butler, and Rita R. Purk of Montpelier, Ohio; 23 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

One brother, Malhon A. Husted, and one sister, Christina R. Husted, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. at the H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home in Butler. A Rosary service will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Edgerton, Ohio, with Father Thomas Oedy officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Opal Vose

BUTLER — Opal P. Vose, 83, died Sunday at 4:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Vose worked at Fur Products Co. and Marshall Clothing Co., both in Butler. She also worked for five years at the Butler Rest Home. She lived on West Oak Street in Butler and was a member of the Butler Church of Christ.

She was born April 6, 1915, in Franklin Township, DeKalb County, to the late Christian G. and Hannah Elnora (Deems) Huntington.

She married Charles Cecil Vose on Nov. 4, 1933, and he died Aug. 28, 1977.

Surviving are three sons, Douglas C. of Hicksville, Charles L. of Auburn and Phillip J. of Butler; two daughters, Carol Kugler of Ashley and Pat Johnson of Butler; 10 grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Virgel Jennings and Velda Snyder, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 6-9 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Dale Rabineau officiating. Burial will take place in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Butler Church of Christ.

Maynard Fee

WATERLOO — Maynard F. Fee, 91, died Saturday at 1:10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He was a meat cutter for the Kroger and A&P grocery stores. He also worked for the Indiana State Highway Department for 24 years and retired in 1970 from Rieke Corp. in Auburn with 11 years of service. He formerly lived on County Road 41, Waterloo, and was a member of the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene.

Mr. Fee was born Jan. 18, 1907, in Wilmington Township to the late Judd J. and Rosa M. (Hand) Fee.

He married Elizabeth V. "Betty" Wallace on Aug. 30, 1933, and she survives.

Also surviving are one brother, Edison Fee of Fort Wayne, and two sisters, Ruth Roden of Sterling, Ill., and Doris Dorsey of Waterloo.

Four brothers, Worthy, Herman, Earl and Russell; and and two sisters, Amber Heffley and Gertrude Fee, preceded him in death.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Paul Patton officiating. Burial will take place in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Butler Church of the Nazarene.

Evening Star, Mon., Nov. 16, 1998 (cont'd)

Area Deaths

SHIPSHEWANA — **Orval Dean Yoder**, 48, died Friday at 3:26 p.m. in Goshen General Hospital of injuries he sustained earlier that day in a bicycle/pickup accident at the intersection of C.R. 2 and Ind. 13 in Elkhart County. Services were held today in the Harley A. Schlabach home, 9375 W. Ind. 120, Shipshewana.

CHURUBUSCO — **Lt. Col. Robert W. Powell**, 83, a resident of rural Fort Wayne, died Friday at 3:10 p.m. There were no formal services or calling hours. Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco was in charge of arrangements.

KENDALLVILLE — **James N. "Brownie" Brown**, 77, died Saturday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Faith United Methodist Church, Kendallville. Visitation from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

LAGRANGE — **Leila V. Schutt**, 84, died Saturday. Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with visitation there from noon-2 p.m. Tuesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Kenneth Reid Skinner**, 90, died Saturday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in Trinity Church United Methodist. Visitation from 4-8 p.m. today in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, and from noon-1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the church.

CHURUBUSCO — **Norman L. Green**, 70, a native of Huntertown and a former resident of Whitley County, died Sunday in the Countryside Health Care Center in Palm Harbor, Fla. Funeral arrangements are being completed by Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

HOWE — **Vernal O. Parish**, 83, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe Visitation is today from 3-8 p.m. in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe.

Deaths/Funerals

Robert South Jr.

AUBURN — Robert E. South Jr., 71, died Sunday evening in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mr. South was a printing broker for Messenger Corp. in Auburn and Doty Lithograph, retiring in 1980. He was a U.S. Marines Corps veteran, serving in World War II and the Korean Conflict. He was a graduate of Culver Military Academy and Babson College in Boston.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn, DeKalb Lodge 214, F.&A.M., and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite.

He was born Nov. 9, 1927, in Chicago, Ill., to the late Blanche (Messenger) and Robert E. South Sr.

He married Sue Hamilton on Sept. 15, 1951, in the Auburn Methodist Church. She died Jan. 28, 1998.

Surviving him are two daughters, Karen Sibery of Auburn and Cathy High of Waterloo; and six grandchildren, Alicia and Rachel South, Travis and Tara Sibery, and Emily and Sara High.

One son, Jeff, preceded him in death.

His funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. The Rev. Karen Koelsch will officiate, with burial to follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from noon until 2 p.m.

The family requests that memorial contributions be sent to Shriners Hospital of Indianapolis or a charity of the donor's choice.

Larry Crossley

ASHLEY — Larry E. Crossley, 48, of Ashley, died Sunday at 3 p.m. in Coldwater, Mich., from an apparent heart attack.

He was born in Auburn Nov. 29, 1949, to Sherman and Marie (Fike) Crossley. His father preceded him in death in November 1968. His mother survives in Corunna.

Mr. Crossley, a 1969 graduate of DeKalb High School, had lived most of his life in Ashley. He owned and operated Time by Crossley Co. for which he was a deejay. He had also worked for Penn Central Railroad for 16 years and for Unity Security Systems in Ler, Mich. He was a member of the Moose and Eagles lodges in Kendallville, Am Vets, Sturgis Chapter of Parents Without Partners and Angola American Legion.

Surviving with his mother are two daughters, Freda Dee Kulwicki of South Band, and Laura Lynn Crossley of Ligonier; a son, Larry E. Crossley Jr. of Granger; a sister, Sharon Menier of Corunna; three grandchildren, Robert and Jordan Ford and Patrick Kulwicki; and his companion, Vivian Overholt of Centreville, Mich.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Visitation is from 4-9 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Thomas Hagerty

PLEASANT LAKE — Thomas L. Hagerty, 53, of Pleasant Lake, died Monday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital in Angola.

Mr. Hagerty had worked for the Angola Police Department for 11 years as a dispatcher, and also worked for the Weicht Funeral Home in Angola. He was remembered during a moment of silence at Monday's Angola City Council meeting.

In the past, he worked for the Steuben County Emergency Medical Service, the Steuben County Sheriff's Department, the Fremont Police Department and Fremont Fire Department, at one time serving as assistant chief during his 19 years with the fire department.

He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police and a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the Air Force.

He was born Nov. 4, 1945, in Garrett to the late Oliver T. and Fern (McPheeters) Hagerty.

On Sept. 11, 1993, he married Bessie Halbert, and she survives in Pleasant Lake.

Also surviving are two sons, T.R. Hagerty of Fremont and Larry Fannin of Pleasant Lake; two daughters, Crystal Gillespie and Amy Fannin, both of Pleasant Lake; a sister, Sally Fifer of Angola; and one granddaughter.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center.

Delores Clouse

AUBURN — Delores M. Clouse, 73, died Sunday at 10:30 p.m. in her daughter's home in Garrett.

Mrs. Clouse worked at Cooper Engineered Products in Auburn for 18 years, and lived in Auburn for more than 30 years.

She was born Feb. 2, 1925, in Auburn to the late Hubert and Hazel (Long) Bowman. Her husband, William H. Clouse, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are one daughter, Jill Wiechart of Garrett; one son, Jack of Tampa, Fla.; one sister, Carol Ridenour of Auburn; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

One brother, Dale Bowman, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral service will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Gene Woolever officiating. Burial will take place in Sedan Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Evening Star, Tues., Nov. 17, 1998 (cont'd)

Burdett Ridenour

ANGOLA — Burdett Ralph Ridenour, 70, of Scott Township in rural Angola, died Sunday at his home.

Mr. Ridenour was a farmer and attended Purdue University. He was a life member of North Scott Church, a founding member of the Pokagon Pitchpipers barbershop singers and was active in the Lake James Christian Assembly.

He was born in Steuben County on July 23, 1928, to Rueben and Ester (Brown) Ridenour.

He is survived by his wife, Lois Colwell Ridenour; a son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Wendy Ridenour of Quincy, Mich.; two stepdaughters and their husbands, Sheila and John Petry and Terry and Sam Presley, all of Angola; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ilene Katus, in 1993, and a daughter, Dawn Smith, in 1983.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday in funeral home with the Rev. James Holbert officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial gifts may be made to North Scott Church or Cameron Hospice.

Deaths/Funerals

Max Hufnagle

FREMONT — Max L. Hufnagle, 61, of Fremont, died Tuesday at 11:06 a.m. in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Hufnagle was self-employed. He was born Oct. 9, 1937, in Fremont, to the late Robert and Alvesta (Dirrim) Hufnagle.

Surviving are his wife, Lena (Jones) Hufnagle, at home; a son, Robert Hufnagle of Reading, Mich.; two daughters, Judy Wheaton of Orland, and Shelly (and husband, Dennis) McFarland of Fremont; three sisters, Janet (and husband, Joe) Beck of Punta Gorda, Fla., Martha (and husband, Roscoe) Blotter of Fremont, and Marsha (and husband, Frank) Patterson of Fremont; three brothers, Jim of Angola, Louis of Fremont, and Richard of Fremont; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Robin; two sisters, Joyce and Bonnie; and a brother, Robert.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday in the funeral home with the Rev. Brian Hice officiating. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery.

Alice Hedges

VISTA, Calif. — Alice Mae Hedges, 76, died Nov. 9 in Oceanside, Calif.

Mrs. Hedges was retired from Cooper Tire and Rubber Co. in Auburn. She had resided in Vista, Calif., for the last 13 years. She was a member of the Community Church of Vista and the Girls Club Inc.

She was born Sept. 26, 1922, in Waterloo. Her husband, Earl J. Hedges, preceded her in death in 1990.

Surviving her are one son, James A. Souder of Garrett; one daughter, Barbara A. Workman of Oceanside; one brother, Robert C. Dilgard of Nashville, Tenn.; two sisters, Sandra K. Deal of Auburn and Bernadine Grimm of Sebring, Fla.; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Friday at 11 a.m. in the Community Church of Vista, with the Rev. Mark C. Alvis officiating.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Nov. 19, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Dallas Myers

AUBURN — Dallas G. Myers, 71, died Wednesday at 5:25 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He owned and operated Myers Real Estate in Auburn for several years. He was a bookkeeper for S&S Tire Co. for 35 years, retiring in 1989. He served in the Merchant Marines during the Korean Conflict and lived on County Road 40, Auburn. He was a member of Calvary Temple in Fort Wayne, Auburn Elks Lodge and Greenhurst Country Club.

Mr. Myers was born May 27, 1927, in Corunna to the late Vern and Edna (Leins) Myers.

Surviving him are one son, Phil of Claremont, N.C.; one daughter, Janean Winitz of Chicago; one brother, Ross of Stockton, Calif.; one sister, Rosellen Hudson of Auburn; four stepgrandchildren and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

One brother, Wilbur, and one sister, Wavah Desmarias, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in Calvary Temple, 1400 W. Washington Center Road, Fort Wayne. The Rev. Paul Paino will officiate. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Charlotte McCrory

FORT WAYNE — Charlotte E. McCrory, 58, died Tuesday at her Fort Wayne home.

Born in Garrett, she was a nursing instructor with Lutheran School of Nursing and Lutheran College for 20 years. She was a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Sigma Theta Tau, and the Indiana State Nurses Association, and served on the board of directors for Fort Wayne Homeless Task Force Inc.

Surviving her are her husband, Richard; a son, Mark of Fort Wayne; her mother, Mary Atkins of Auburn; and a sister, Janet Hathaway of Indianapolis.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral service will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 3425 Crescent Ave., with calling after 9:30 a.m. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to the church, Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice Inc., or District 10 Little League Baseball.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Betty J. McGill**, 78, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 1-4 and 5-8 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Gladys R. Due**, 84, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Saturday at Salem United Church of Christ in Westphalia.

The Evening Star, Sat., Nov. 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Laura Billman

MONTGOMERY, Mich. — Laura Berdena Billman, 87, of Montgomery, Mich., died Thursday at 6:31 p.m. at St. Luke's Hospital in Maumee, Ohio.

Mrs. Billman was a homemaker.

She was born March 12, 1911, in Steuben County to the late Wilbur and Ina (Schaeffer) Young.

She was preceded in death by her husband, A. Franklin Billman, in 1977, and three brothers and a half-sister.

Mrs. Billman is survived by three sons, Harold D. Billman (and his wife, Loraine) of Montgomery, Mich., Marlin P. Billman (and his wife, Carolyn), of Hillsdale, Mich., and Paul W. Billman (and his wife, Arlene), of Pittsford, Mich.; one daughter, Juanita of Maumee, Ohio; 16 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 4-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Robert Starks officiating. Burial will be in California Cemetery in Branch County, Mich.

Memorial donations may be made to the hospice or cancer society in Hillsdale, Mich.

Area Deaths

WOLCOTTVILLE — **Minnie Coburn**, 77, of Wolcottville, died Thursday at 10:20 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Community Baptist Church in Wolcottville. Calling will be today from 3-8 p.m. at Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, and Sunday after 4 p.m. at Community Baptist Church, with a service Sunday at 7 p.m

KENDALLVILLE — **Robert L. Black**, 80, died Thursday at 8 p.m. in his Kendallville home. Private graveside service Monday at 11 a.m. at Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville. No calling.

CHURUBUSCO — **Russell Creech**, 75, of rural Churubusco, died at 1:50 p.m. Friday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco, with calling there Sunday from 2-8 p.m.

The Evening Star, Mon., Nov. 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Miller

BUTLER — Robert Allen Miller, 77, died Saturday at 2 a.m. in his Butler home.

Mr. Miller retired in 1984 as a general foreman for Hendrickson Tandem in Kendallville, where he worked for 28 years. He served in the Army Air Corps in Europe during World War II, and received a Bronze Star. He was a member of Butler American Legion Post 202, Waterloo Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6572 and the Butler United Methodist Church.

He was born Aug. 13, 1921, in Butler to the late Robert B. and Ethel (Harris) Miller.

He married Eileen Zinn on Jan. 31, 1942, in Indiana, and she survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Robert Jr. of Auburn, Charles of Butler, Roger of Phoenix, Ariz., and David of Waterloo; one daughter, Marilyn Miller of Butler; two brothers, Joseph and Alger, both of Butler; three sisters, Joyce Gump of Butler, and Redith Goebel and Retta Bowditch, both of Edgerton, Ohio; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Carolyn Miller; one sister, Bernadine Miller; and two brothers, Hubert Doyle Miller and Charles Miller.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

A funeral service will begin Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the Butler United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Dennis Leinbach officiating. Burial will take place in the Butler Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to the church or DeKalb County Hospice.

Sandra 'Kay' Hall

ANGOLA — Sandra "Kay" Hall, 55, of Angola, died in her home Saturday.

Mrs. Hall moved to Angola from Benton County in 1964. She had been a cashier and receptionist at REMC in Angola since 1990. From 1976-1990, she was employed as insurance clerk and assistant to the auditor of First National Bank of Angola. She attended Pleasant View Christian Church of Angola.

She was born Sept. 30, 1943 in Boswell, Ind., to Orena (Vaught) and Gene Morgan. Her mother survives in Boswell and her father is deceased.

On Aug. 26, 1962, she married Jerry Lee Hall, who survives in Angola.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sonja Kay Hall of Angola and Jana Lee Reed of Titusville, Fla.; two stepbrothers, Richard Lappin of Lafayette and Donald Lappin of Covington, Ind.; and a sister, Donna Margene Johnson of Boswell.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola.

A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home Wednesday at 1 p.m., with the Rev. Mike Hamm officiating.

Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery in Jamestown Township, Steuben County. Memorial gifts may be given to the Steuben County Cancer Society and Cameron Home Health Care and Hospice.

John Parvu

KENDALLVILLE — John Parvu, 75, died at 11:11 a.m. Sunday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. He had been in failing health for five years.

Mr. Parvu was born Jan. 1, 1923, in Garrett to Nicholas and Maria Parvu. On May 24, 1980, in Kendallville, he married Winifred Waitt, who survives.

He had a master's degree in education from Indiana University and was a retired school teacher.

He was a member of the Romanian Orthodox Church in Merrillville.

Also, he was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving with his wife are one stepdaughter, Marie Hanes of Kendallville; three stepsons, Dale Hammer of Carmel, Joe Hammer of Long Island, N.Y., and Ted Hammer of Biloxi, Miss.; and six stepgrandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Father Adrian Fetea of the Romanian Orthodox Church in Merrillville officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Calling will be from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are Masses to the church.

365

Evening Star, Mon., Nov. 23, 1998 (cont'd)

Velma Keen

NORTH MANCHESTER — Velma Keen, 56, died Friday at 12:20 a.m. in Whitley County Memorial Hospital, Columbia City.

Mrs. Keen was a homemaker and formerly lived in Garrett.

She was born Nov. 10, 1942, in Hazard, Ky., to the late Asa and Daisy (Smith) Morgan.

Surviving her are two sons, Larry O'Neal Keen Jr. of Butler and Leonard Eugene Keen of Rome City; one daughter, Lavina Sue (Keen) Ballard of Auburn; one brother, Floyd Morgan of Garrett; one sister, Mallie Harris, Fort Wayne; and a companion, Al England of North Manchester.

Five brothers, Walter, Chester, Kelly, Charlie and Roscoe Morgan, preceded her in death.

Her funeral service took place Sunday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial was today at 3 p.m. in Isom Cemetery at Whitesburg, Ky.

Memorial donations may be given to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

Wayne Shull

LAGRANGE — Wayne L. Shull, 57, died Thursday in his home.

He was born Dec. 19, 1940, in Auburn, to Fredrick W. and Marguerite K. (Wilson) Shull.

The self-employed telephone systems installer was a U.S. Air Force veteran.

He moved back to LaGrange County in 1990 from Idaho.

Surviving are his mother, of LaGrange; two sisters, Mrs. Clark (Carma) Milleman of Burnettsville and Mrs. Charles (Lois) Bartels of Humboldt, Tenn.; two brothers, Gene Shull of Sacramento, Calif., and Gerald L. Shull of Minden, La.; and one sister-in-law, Mrs. Gene (Clare) Shull of Sacramento.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Lake Bethel Cemetery, LaGrange, with the Rev. Lloyd Jury officiating.

No calling.

Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

FORT WAYNE — **William M. Luce**, 95, died Tuesday. Services were Friday in Fort Wayne.

BLUFFTON — **Margaret C. Wyatt**, 83, died Friday. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in Salamonie Church of the Brethren, Huntington County. Calling from 2-8 p.m. today in Glancy Funeral Home, H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren.

The Evening Star, Tues., Nov. 24, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Martha Rose

WOLCOTTVILLE — Martha P. Rose, 67, died at 12:13 p.m. Monday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mrs. Rose was born Nov. 26, 1930, in Sturgis, Mich., to William and Adeline (Gushwa) Stevens. On Nov. 24, 1948, in South Milford, she married Earl W. Rose, who survives.

She moved to Wolcottville from Sturgis about 50 years ago.

She was a retired past manager of Chronister's Hallmark stores in Angola and Kendallville.

Surviving with her husband are three daughters, Mrs. Lawrence (Pamela) Aldrich of Howe, Karen Walter, and Mrs. Bart (Michele) Kleinrichert of Wolcottville; two sons and daughters-in-law, Earl W. and Veneda Rose Jr. of Kendallville and Edward and Maureen Rose of Howe; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters, Donna Miller of Dunlap and Alta Merriman of Kalamazoo, Mich., and one brother, Bill Stevens of Muskegon, Mich.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with Pastor Mike Booher officiating. Burial will be in South Milford Cemetery.

Calling is from 2-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Robert Jack Masters**, 74, died Monday. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville. Calling is from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home. There will be a fire department memorial service at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

BLUFFTON — **Shannon Wayne Gray**, 21, died Sunday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Goodwin Memorial Chapel, with calling there two hours before services.

The Evening Star, Wed., Nov. 25, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Carl Deihl

WATERLOO — Carl E. Deihl, 80, died Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Deihl was a lifelong farmer and carpenter in the area, and lived in rural Waterloo. He was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church, DeKalb County Farm Bureau and DeKalb County Historical Society. He was active with the DeKalb County Council on Aging and its Heimach Senior Center. He was a former Smithfield Township Republican precinct committeeman and served four years on the DeKalb County Council.

He was born Nov. 24, 1918, in DeKalb County to the late George H. and Ada (Miller) Deihl.

He married June Provines on June 10, 1945, in St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Auburn, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, John of Waterloo; one daughter, Carolyn Gaff of Kalamazoo, Mich.; one brother, Harold of Corunna; one sister, Helen Hoover of Huntington; and four grandchildren, Sally Gaff, Ph.D., Holly Gaff, Ph.D., David Deihl and Marianne Deihl.

One son, David Eugene, and one sister, Ruth Hackman, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Council on Aging-Heimach Senior Center, or to the church.

Nellie Wiseman

AUBURN — Nellie J. Wiseman, 86, died today at 12:45 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Wiseman was a telephone operator for Indiana Bell Telephone Co. for 25 years, retiring in 1974. She was a member of Lake George Lutheran Chapel and attended Trinity Lutheran Church in Auburn.

She was born April 16, 1912, in Steuben County to the late Arthur E. and Edith (Mortorff) Sebert.

She married Vernon Wiseman on May 25, 1930, in Elkhart, and he survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Beverly Grabowski of Palmetto, Fla., Marjorie Deetz of Sebring, Fla., and Analee LaRowe of Auburn; 10 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Archie Sebert; one sister, Marian Clark; one great-grandson and one great-great-grandson.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Lloyd Bickel of trinity Lutheran Church will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County chapter of the American Heart Association.

Pearl Ohler

PAYNE, Ohio — Pearl A. Ohler, 94, died Monday in Dallas Lamb Foundation Hospital.

She was a cook at Pal's Truck Stop in New Haven, and lived in Payne, Ohio.

She was born Jan. 29, 1904, in Palmyra, Ind., to the late Lewis and Hattie (Miller) Klinker. Her husband, Forest, died in 1993.

Surviving her are two sons, Chalmer "Hank" of Jacksonville Beach, Fla., and Harold of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Ilene Gillen of Phoenix, Ariz.; five sisters, Sadie Longardner of Fremont, Mary Brown and Maxine Deneve, both of Fort Wayne, Irene Deneve of Claypool, Ind., and Helen Marquart of Monroeville; 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and 9 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Glenn in 1958; a daughter, Norma Hite in 1998; and two brothers, Ralph and Ernest Klinker.

Friends may call Friday after 4 p.m. in Slade Funeral Home, Payne.

Her funeral service will begin Saturday at 2 p.m. in Payne Church of the Nazarene. Burial will take place in Monroeville Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or Paulding Area Visiting Nurses Association.

Evening Star, Wed., Nov. 25, 1998 (cont'd)

Forrest Oiler

BUTLER — Forrest Lamar Oiler, 86, died Tuesday at 1:24 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Oiler was owner of the Butler Record-Herald from 1934 to 1965, and also worked at Fort Wayne Newspapers as a printer, retiring in 1977.

He was born Jan. 24, 1912, in Mooresville to the late Fred and Ethel (Forrest) Oiler.

He married Marcella Powers on June 30, 1934, and she survives.

Also surviving are one daughter and son-in-law, Kathie (Oiler) and Mark Swaim of Butler.

There will be no calling or services. Burial will take place at a later date in the Butler Cemetery. H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be given to DeKalb County EMS.

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **Jeanette Foster**, 85, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion. Calling is from 4-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

CROMWELL — **Robert E. Harrington Sr.**, 84, of Ludington, Mich., died Monday in his son's home in Cromwell where he had been staying for the last two weeks. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, in the Scottville Wesleyan Church in Scottville, Mich.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Leonard W. Barnum**, a former professional football player for the New York Giants and the Philadelphia Eagles, died at 1:20 p.m. Tuesday in Columbia City. Mr. Barnum, 86, father of Kendallville resident Charles Barnum, was also a member of the West Virginia Football Hall of Fame. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Funeral Home, 600 Countryside Drive, Columbia City. Calling is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

LARWILL — **Hazel C. Snapp**, 87, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Miller Chapel, South Whitley. Calling is from 4-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, Fri., Nov. 27, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Blickenstaff

AUBURN — Richard D. "Denny" Blickenstaff, 65, died Thursday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

Mr. Blickenstaff retired from Navistar in 1997 after 34 years of service. He had resided near Auburn for 32 years and was recently employed at Greenhurst County Club. He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of the Auburn Elks Lodge.

He was born in Auburn on Nov. 6, 1933, to the late Luther and Evelyn (Courtemanche) Blickenstaff.

He married Doris Jean Lee on Dec. 1, 1962. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Bradford, of Auburn; one granddaughter, Heather Renee Blickenstaff of Auburn; his stepmother, Florence Blickenstaff of Ellenton, Fla.; one sister, Patricia Lee of Waynesville, Mo.; one brother, Gary of Auburn; and one stepbrother, Terry Scherer of Rochester, Mich.

Friends may call Saturday from 3:30-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo, where a memorial service will be conducted Saturday night by the Auburn Elks.

Funeral services will be conducted at the funeral home Sunday at 3:30 p.m. with Wayne Michael officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Children First Center in Auburn.

Betty Arnold

ANGOLA — Betty J. Arnold, 74, of Angola, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Arnold worked as a clerk with the Steuben County office of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, retiring in 1991.

She was born Aug. 18, 1924, in Leonidas, Mich., to the late Will and Lava (Johnson) Auten.

Surviving are a daughter, Elizabeth Andrews of Angola; two sons, J.R. Andrews of Pleasant Lake and Jeff Andrews of Angola; and a sister, Lola Oral Snook of Sturgis, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Arnold, on Dec. 25, 1968.

Friends may call tonight from 6-8 at Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home with Pastor Ron Hyre officiating. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery in Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Myrtle Beaty

AUBURN — Myrtle M. Beaty, 98, of Auburn, died Wednesday at 11:05 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was a homemaker and worked as a printer for from Messenger Corp., retiring in 1965. She also worked 15 years in the coffee shop at DeKalb Memorial Hospital and volunteered her service to the Red Cross.

She was born Oct. 21, 1900, to Levi and Lettie (Bolander) Wolff, who preceded her in death.

She married Merle V. Beaty on Feb. 1, 1919, in Auburn. He also preceded her in death, as did one grandchild.

Surviving her are a son and daughter-in-law, Robert E. and Janet C. Beaty, and a niece, Betty Vogh, in Mesa, Ariz.

Services will take place Monday at 10:30 a.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Officiating will be the Rev. Richard T. Kraus, associate pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery of Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday between 2 and 5 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Harry Faust

WATERLOO — Harry J. Faust, 81, died Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Faust was retired from Warner Gear in Auburn. He was a member of the Waterloo Freewill Baptist Church and DeKalb Lodge 214, Free and Accepted Masons. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the Air Force.

He was born Feb. 22, 1917, in Wabash County to Elmer and Ruth (Cook) Faust, both now deceased.

He married Gussie (Branham) Stambaugh on Feb. 27, 1971 in Andrews. She survives in Waterloo.

Also surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Harry Jon and Sandra Faust of Peru; a daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and Philip Struble of Peru; three stepsons and their wives, Roger and Phyllis Stambaugh of Wabash, Ronald and Freda Stambaugh of Waterloo, and Richard and Tina Stambaugh of Los Angeles; a brother, Floyd Faust of Lafontaine; 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were a daughter, Becky, and a grandson, Timothy.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will take place Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Waterloo Frewill Baptist Church. The Rev. Ronald Stambaugh will officiate. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Waterloo Freewill Baptist Church.

Evening Star, Fri., Nov. 27, 1998 (cont'd)

Earl Mast

ST. CLOUD, Fla. — Earl Wayne Mast, 81, died Monday in St. Cloud, Fla.

He was a Butler resident before moving to St. Cloud in 1982. He was an auto mechanic and U.S. Navy veteran. He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3227 and American Legion Post 80 in St. Cloud. He was born in Berne and was a Methodist.

Surviving are his wife, Jenevieve; a son, Michael David of Orland; two sisters, Marcile Mast of Fort Wayne and Vera Putt of Sun City, Ariz., three brothers, Curt of Montana, Wayne of Shell City, Wis., and Kenny of Coldwater, Mich.; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. at American Legion Post 80, with Chaplain Charles Swanson officiating. There will be no calling.

Fisk Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Cloud, is in charge of arrangements.

Gladys McQuade

STURGIS, Mich. — Gladys L. McQuade, 64, died Tuesday in Sturgis Hospital.

Mrs. McQuade was a graduate of Greenfield High School and moved to Sturgis from Greenfield in 1972. She retired from Sturgis Molded Products in 1988. Her hobbies were crafts and fishing.

She was born in Greenfield on May 3, 1934, to Forest and Dorothy (Catt) VanDuyn. Her mother survives.

She married Richard McQuade in 1957.

Also surviving are one son, Patrick (and wife, Mary Jane) McQuade of Orland; one brother, Richard E. VanDuyn of California; and one grandson, Zachary Lee McQuade of White Pigeon, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her father and one son, Brian.

Friends may call today after 2 p.m. in the Rosenberg-Schipper Ltd. Funeral Home in Sturgis.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home with the Rev. Dr. Lowell Walsworth officiating. Burial will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery in Sturgis.

Helen Foote

LEO — Helen B. Foote, 95, died Tuesday at 6:20 p.m. in The Cedars Retirement Home, Leo.

She was a homemaker and dairy farmer. She previously lived in Garrett.

Mrs. Foote was born July 30, 1903, in LaOtto. Her parents preceded her in death.

She married Elmer Foote on July 30, 1922, at the Frank Breckbill home. He preceded her in death.

Surviving her are two daughters, Isabelle Byer of Fort Wayne and Alice Marie Preston of Lisle, Ill.; a grandson, Brad Preston of Naperville, Ill.; a granddaughter, Jan Guillaume of Grand Rapids, Mich.; and three great-grandchildren.

Three brothers and one sister also preceded her in death.

Her funeral service will be held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in Christian Union Brethren in Christ Church in rural Garrett. Pastor Jerel Book will officiate, with burial in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the church Sunday after 1 p.m.

Memorial donations may be given to The Cedars Retirement Home.

Area Deaths

FORT WAYNE — **Mary E. Becker**, 81, died Thursday. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Saturday.

ROME CITY — **Violet Sturdivant**, 79, died Thursday in Extendacare, Kendallville. Services are pending at Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville.

MONGO — **Cecil Kiser**, 69, died Thursday. Services are in Little Flossie Old Regular Baptist Church, Lisbon, at 11 a.m. Sunday. Calling begins after 4 p.m. today in the church and continues through 11 a.m. Sunday. Additional services will be held at the church at 6 p.m. today and 6 p.m. Saturday.

LouAnn Mertz

KENDALLVILLE — LouAnn Mertz, 73, died at 12:41 a.m. Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Mrs. Mertz was born May 11, 1925, in Battle Creek, Mich., to Fred S. and Faye (DePew) Blevins. On April 25, 1947, in Corunna, she married Arthur B. Mertz, who preceded her in death on Nov. 18, 1988.

She was a homemaker and a member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Stroh.

She moved to Kendallville in 1983 from rural Corunna.

Surviving are two sons, Garry Mertz of Waterloo and James Mertz of Monroeville; one sister, Jean Blevins of Kendallville; four grandchildren, Kevin Mertz of Columbia City, Carolynn Sullivan of Franklin, Paul Mertz of Monroeville and Rachelle Mertz of Monroeville; and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Pastor Albert Bierlein officiating. Burial will be in Zion Lutheran Cemetery, West Fairfield.

Calling will be from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association or the Christmas Bureau through the Kendallville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Evening Star, Sat., Nov. 28, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Brian Kuhn

FREMONT — Brian Robert Kuhn, 49, of Fremont, died Thursday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Kuhn was a machinist at Aro Corp. in Angola and had served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

He was born June 1, 1949, in Steuben County to the late Denton and I.O. (Williams) Kuhn. On Feb. 29, 1996, he married Glynell Paregien, who survives at home.

Also surviving are four sons, Phillip and Jeremy Kuhn of Camden, Mich., Ashley Dedmon of Fremont and Ron Harris of Angola; a daughter, Kami Rae, of Tekonsha, Mich.; and five grandchildren.

An infant brother, Dennis Kuhn, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Sunday from noon-2 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home in Angola. A funeral service will follow at 2 p.m. in the funeral home with Dr. J. Arnold Fair officiating. Burial will be in Metz Cemetery, Steuben County. Angola American Legion Post 31 will conduct a military graveside service.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Make a Wish Foundation or St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Bertha Furnish

LAGRANGE — Bertha Furnish, 92, died Thursday at 10:45 p.m. in her home on Royer Lake, LaGrange.

She was a homemaker and had lived at Royer Lake since 1985. She formerly lived in Auburn and Garrett.

Mrs. Furnish was born Oct. 28, 1906, in Fort Wayne to the late John C. and Anna (Myers) Reed.

She married Donald E. Furnish on Jan. 29, 1944, in Pleasant Lake, and he survives.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Ervin and Kenneth Reed, and two sisters, Georgia Neible and Frances Maggert.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Her funeral will be held Monday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Deaconess Karen Kosberg, chaplain of Parkview Home Health & Hospice, officiating. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be given to Parkview Home Health & Hospice, LaGrange Division.

Israel Ortega

LIGONIER — Israel Ortega, 22, died at 1:20 a.m. Wednesday as a result of injuries sustained in a one-car accident.

Mr. Ortega was born July 29, 1976, at Cd. Sahagun Hgo., Mexico, to Jose Ortega and Felipa (Hernandez) Ortega. She survives.

He had lived in the Ligonier area for three years and was employed as a production worker at Sigan Plastics there. He was a member of Templo Bethel Church, Ligonier.

Surviving with his mother are three sisters, Esther Ortega, Rebeca Ortega, and Mercedes Ortega, all of Mexico.

A local service will be tonight at 7:30 at Templo Bethel Church. Burial will be in Mexico at a later date.

Calling will be tonight from 7-9 at the church.

Marguerite Ward

ASHLEY — Marguerite A. Ward, 76, died unexpectedly at 8:15 a.m. Thursday at her sister's home in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Ward was born in Ashley June 4, 1922 to Harry and Bertha (Johnson) Anderson. She was married Sept. 9, 1946 to James E. Ward, who preceded her in death March 16, 1968.

She graduated Pleasant Lake High School in 1940 and received her secretarial degree from Tri-State College in Angola. She worked at G-2, the U.S. Army's intelligence division, in Washington, D.C. for 13 years, and for Steuben County Publishing Co. for 33 years. She spent most of her life in the Ashley area. She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Angola, and of the Steuben County Home Extension Club.

She is survived by a sister, Jean Kuckuck of Fort Wayne, and a brother, Dr. Wendell Anderson of Lake Placid, Fla.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Donald E. Meyers officiating. Burial will be at Pleasant Lake Cemetery, Pleasant Lake.

Calling will be Sunday from 4-6 p.m.

Preferred memorials are to Calvary Lutheran Church.

Deaths/Funerals

Nancy Hines

AUBURN — Nancy Hines, 70, died Saturday at 4 a.m. in her Auburn home.

She was a homemaker and had lived in Auburn since 1948.

She was born in Angola on April 18, 1928, to the late Fred W. and Yolanda (Miller) Webb.

On June 16, 1948, in Angola, she married John H. Hines. He survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are two daughters, Jonatha E. Wright of Wilson, N.C., and Yolanda A. Sullivan of Lawrence Harbor, N.J.; a son, A. Vincent Hines of Auburn; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted Thursday at 6 p.m. at McComb Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with the Rev. Carol Mahafey of the Unity Christ Church, Fort Wayne, officiating.

The family will receive visitors one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's favorite charity

Connie Shannon

BUTLER — Connie Sue Shannon, 37, of Butler, died Saturday at 1:45 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born in Angola on Feb. 9, 1961, to Louis Jr. and Rita Ann (McConnell) Howe. They survive in LaCanto, Fla.

She also is survived by three sons, Jason William Shannon of Butler, and Tyson James Stayer and Brayson Jay Stayer, both of Hamilton; a brother, Steven Howe of Butler; a sister, CynDee Hopkins of Butler; maternal grandparents, DeLos F. and Avona E. McConnell of Waterloo; and paternal grandparents, Louis J. Howe of Wolcottville and Roberta Stahl of Butler.

A sister, Cora LeAnn Howe, preceded her in death.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Wilma Gilbert

KENDALLVILLE — Wilma Pauline Gilbert, 71, died Saturday at 11:45 a.m. in her Kendallville home.

She was a homemaker. She was born in Altona on June 14, 1927, to the late Milton and Emma Jane (Feller) Hathaway.

She is survived by three sons, Dwight Gilbert of Garrett, Timothy Gilbert Sr. of Kendallville, and Kenneth Basse of Fort Wayne; five daughters, Wanda Gilbert of Auburn, Cheryl Sherman of Angola, Carleen Lepard of Auburn, Deb Gilbert of Kendallville, and Tevera Davis of Creemoor, NC; two brothers, Orel Hathaway of Garrett and Claude Hathaway of Connersville; a sister, Mary Maxwell of Garrett; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Preceding her in death were four brothers, Merle, Paul, Roy and Dale Hathaway; and a sister, Blanch Stafford.

Funeral services will begin at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with the Rev. Ken Weaver officiating. Friends may call from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Maurice Tripp III

ANGOLA — Maurice E. Tripp III, 56, of Angola, died Nov. 15 in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Tripp retired in 1993 as owner of Resorts/Tourism Industry. He had lived in Angola for six years.

He was born Aug. 17, 1942, in Adrian, Mich., to the late Maurice E. Tripp II and Constance L. (Ives) Tripp.

Surviving are a son, Douglas Tripp of Jackson, Mich., and two grandsons.

Friends may call tonight from 6-7 at McComb Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

There will be no funeral service. Burial will be in Veterans Cemetery in Michigan.

George Bowerman

ASHLEY — George D. Bowerman, 66, of Ashley, died at 4 p.m. Saturday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

He was born in Flint on April 23, 1932, to Charles and Treva (Lash) Bowerman. On June 13, 1959, he married Beverly Stout, who survives.

Mr. Bowerman had lived in Salem Center several years and in Hudson for 15 years before moving to Ashley in 1995. He was a retired farmer and a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. He was past commander of American Legion Post 31, Angola, and a member of the 40 & 8.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Marian Manns of Hudson; a son, John Bowerman of Angola; a sister, Barbara Braun of Monroe; and four grandchildren, Tristia and Amber Bowerman and Megan and Daniel Manns.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Craig Burkholder officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson, with military graveside rites by American Legion Post 31, Angola.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Evening Star, Mon., Nov. 30, 1998 (Cont'd)

Kenneth Cook

ANGOLA — Kenneth W. Cook, 82, of Angola, died Sunday in Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Mr. Cook retired in 1965 as a supervisor for Dana Weatherhead Co. in Angola. He was a member of Lake George Lutheran Church.

He was born in Steuben County on Feb. 1, 1916, to the late Franklin H. and Violet Virginia (Blaine) Cook.

He is survived by two daughters, Joyce A. Parker of Oberlin, Ohio, and Sharon Steffan of Angola; two sisters, Beverly Farver of Nevada Mills and Mary Garton of North Webster; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A sister, Thelma Ahrens, preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 5-8 p.m. at Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Frank Garton officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial gifts may be given to the American Lung Association.

Area Deaths

CHURUBUSCO — **Mae L. Long**, 95, died Saturday at 3:29 p.m. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 5-9 p.m. Tuesday.

KENDALLVILLE — **Leonora S. Krueckeberg**, 84, died Saturday. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Decatur. Calling 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur.

KENDALLVILLE — **Ben Courtney**, 84, died Saturday. Private graveside services Wednesday in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville.

KENDALLVILLE — **Leo L. "Ray" Patton**, 95, died Saturday. Services at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 6-9 p.m. today.

for star

394

The Evening Star, Wed., Dec. 2, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Charles Hensley Jr.

AUBURN — Charles Hensley Jr., 70, of Auburn, died Monday at 10:41 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hensley had lived in Auburn for six years, after previously residing in Richmond. He retired in 1992 after working for six years at Pinkerton Security and 25 years as a self-employed farmer.

He was born in Preble County, Ohio, on Aug. 30, 1928, to the late Charles Sr. and Maggie E. (Peters) Hensley.

He is survived by a son, Rex A. Hensley of Helmer; a daughter, Patricia A. Myers of Richmond; two brothers, Harold of California and Willard of Gratis, Ohio; two sisters, Joan Cheathem of New Paris, Ohio, and Virginia Rinehart of Eaton, Ohio; a special friend, Alvadeane Evans of Auburn, and her daughter, Dina Evans of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at McComb Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home in Auburn, with the Rev. Sidney A. Short officiating. Burial will be in Sedan Cemetery, rural Waterloo.

Friends may call Friday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association.

Lena Miller

WINONA LAKE — Lena M. Miller, 71, died Monday at 11:41 p.m. at Grace Village Healthcare, Winona Lake.

She was a former Garrett resident and a former member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett. She was a secretary for the Garrett Clinic for 10 years and a teacher aide at J.E. Ober Elementary School in Garrett for three years. She moved to Grace Village at Winona Lake 1 1/2 years ago.

She was born April 23, 1927, in Brazil, Ind., to the late William E. and Lorene (Knox) Evans.

On Sept. 20, 1947, in Wabash she married Martin E. "Bud" Miller, who preceded her in death June 28, 1984.

Surviving are two daughters, Claudia Turner of Leesburg and Marilyn Robertson of Mishawaka; two sons, the Rev. James Miller of Germantown, N.C., and Dan Miller of Red Lodge, Mont.; two sisters, Betty Middleton and Ruby Ragoske, both of Wabash; a brother, Bill Evans of Florida; and nine grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Thelma White, and two brothers, Walter Evans and Jim Evans.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Her funeral service will take place Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. Officiating will be the Rev. Rick Smith of Calvary Baptist Church, Oswego, where she was a member. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorial donations may be made to Calvary Baptist Church or Grace Village Healthcare.

David Deem

COLUMBIA CITY — David L. Deem, 89, died Tuesday at 9:40 a.m. in the emergency room at Whitley Memorial Hospital in Columbia City. He had been taken there earlier in the morning after becoming ill at The Oaks, where he had lived for more than five years.

He retired in 1972 as a gear cutter for Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne after 26 years of service. He was a former employee of General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne. He formerly lived in Collins for 60 years, was a lifelong resident of Whitley County, and was a member of the Collins United Methodist Church.

Mr. Deem was born March 6, 1909, in Smith Township of Whitley County to the late Heber and Orpha (Long) Deem.

He married Velma L. Geiger on July 10, 1921, and she died April 14, 1989.

Surviving him are one son and daughter-in-law, Lowell D. and Sandy Deem of Auburn; a daughter-in-law, Idamae Deem of Churubusco; two grandchildren, Beth Ann Bowditch of Fort Wayne and Darrin Deem of Auburn; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Harold L., on Dec. 31, 1989, and two sisters, Lois Egolf and Grace Parish.

Friends may call tonight from 6-9 at Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco.

His funeral service will be held Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Robert Trueblood and the Rev. William Claxton officiating. Burial will take place in Eel River Cemetery, south of Churubusco.

Evening Star, Ind., Dec. 2, 1998 (cont'd)

Shirley Weaver

GRANBURY, Texas — Shirley A. Weaver, 62, of Granbury, died Monday at Johnson Regional Medical Center in Clarksville, Ark. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Tom Weaver of Granbury; one daughter and son-in-law, Peggi and Harlen Tebben of Scranton, Ark.; three sons and one daughter-in-law, Robert and Georginia Weaver of Granbury, and Thomas J. "T.J." Weaver of Granbury and James Weaver of Fort Smith, Ark.; a stepfather, Roy Collins of Frankfort, Ky.; three sisters, Pat Curtis of Waterloo, Carol "Jeanie" Klein of Hudson, Fla., and Sue Mecke of Glendale, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, 36 nieces and nephews and several special friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Robert Maxwell and Catherine Edwards Scott, and one brother, M.R. "Dusty" Scott-Collins.

A memorial service will be held Friday at 10 a.m. in Roller-Cox Funeral Home, Clarksville, Ark.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Kay M. (Paulus) Andersen**, 56, died Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Thursday in Bailey-Love Mortuary, Huntington, with calling there from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Thursday.

Agnes Gallmeyer

DECATUR — Agnes M. Gallmeyer, 94, formerly of Decatur, died at 5:32 p.m. Monday in River Bend Nursing Home, Fort Wayne.

She was born June 21, 1904, in Wells County to Henry and Friedericka (Breier) Bauermeister. On May 10, 1925, in Zion Lutheran Church in Friedheim, she married Martin F. Gallmeyer, who preceded her in death June 4, 1983.

Mrs. Gallmeyer, a homemaker, was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Bingen.

Surviving are a daughter, Maxine K. Ostermeyer of Fort Wayne; a son, Don D. Gallmeyer of Fremont; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Maurice Gallmeyer; brothers, Ernst and Arthur Bauermeister, and one in infancy; and five sisters, Frieda Conrad, Minnie Bucher, Mildred Eichler, Martha Reinking and one in infancy.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in St. John Lutheran Church in Bingen with the Rev. Thomas L. Olson officiating. Burial will be in St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Bingen.

Visitation is from 2-9 p.m. Thursday in Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur, and one hour before services Friday at the church.

Preferred memorials are to Worship for Shut-Ins, St. John Lutheran Church, Bingen.

The Evening Star, Tues., Dec. 1, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Connie Shannon

BUTLER — H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home is handling burial arrangements for Connie Sue Shannon, 37, of Butler.

She died Saturday at 1:45 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

A full obituary appeared in Monday's edition.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Clyde W. Walker**, 82, of Crooked Lake, Noble Township, Noble County, died at 4:07 p.m. Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Thursday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Robert William "Bill" Reimer**, 67, died Sunday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Deaths/Funerals

Dale E. Hershberger

FREMONT — Dale E. Hershberger, 86, died Tuesday at 4:25 a.m. at his residence in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hershberger retired in 1977 after 25 years at E&R Tool, and was a member of the Angola Moose Lodge and the Eagles Lodge in Coldwater, Mich. He was a golfer, a gardener, and an avid fisherman.

He was born in Huntington County on Sept. 14, 1912, to Raulie and Esther (McCallister) Hershberger.

His first wife, Thelma (Nelson) Hershberger, died July 22, 1984.

He married Edith Warstler on Jan. 4, 1986, in Auburn. She survives at Snow Lake.

Also surviving are two daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara J. and Woody Craig of Fremont and Phyllis A. and Paul Whittaker of Pleasant Lake; one stepdaughter, Nancy Ware of Auburn; one stepson, Lionel Winslow of Coldwater, Mich.; one brother, Ralph Hershberger, of Coldwater; five grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren and five step-great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, one sister, Marie Hershberger, and one brother, Edgar Hershberger.

His funeral service will take place Sunday, Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. at the Lake George Lutheran Chapel in Fremont, with the Rev. Robert Fischer officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

There will be no public calling. Memorial contributions may be given to Cameron Home Health & Hospice in Angola or to the Lake George Lutheran Church.

Herbert Mertz

KENDALLVILLE — Herbert F. Mertz, 76, of Kendallville, died at 6:48 p.m. Wednesday in his residence following a five-year illness.

He was born in Kendallville Sept. 19, 1922, to Edward A. and Lillian L. (Beight) Mertz. On June 14, 1947, in Kendallville, he married Doris Emmons, who survives.

Mr. Mertz served in the U.S. Coast Guard four years until 1946. He retired in 1988 from Kraft Foods after 47 years as a supervisor. For the past 10 years he has worked at Midtown Market in Avilla. He was a member and past elder and chairman of the board of education at St. John Lutheran Church and its men's prayer group.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters and a son-in-law, Susan and Michael Hivley of Hudson, and Cathie Swartz and Deborah Beaty, both of Kendallville; a son, Ron Mertz of Avilla; eight grandchildren, Seth Swartz of Waterloo, Janet Swartz of North Manchester, Tracey Umphrey and Rebecca Beaty, both of Fort Wayne, Drew Swartz and Emily Beaty, both of Kendallville, and Laura Egly and Tina Carson, both of Hudson; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Ronald; and two sisters, Leona and Louella.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in St. John Lutheran Church, Kendallville, with the Rev. Paul B. Griebel officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday in Hite Funeral Home, and one hour before services at the church on Saturday.

Preferred memorials are to St. John Lutheran School or the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Bertie M. Price**, 80, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there 2-8 p.m. Friday.

SYRACUSE — **Kari Lynn Zollinger**, 3, died Tuesday. Services at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Calvary Lutheran Church, Cromwell. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, with no local calling.

Deaths/Funerals

Lois Kreiser

PLEASANT LAKE — Lois P. Kreiser, 71, of Pleasant Lake, died Thursday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had lived for the past year with her son, Malen Kugler, in Ashley.

Mrs. Kreiser had retired from Dana Weatherhead in Angola as an assembly worker, and was a member of the Angola Assembly of God Church and the Weatherhead Pioneer and Retirees clubs.

She was born Nov. 12, 1927, in DeKalb County to Dorothy (Krontz) and the late Lewis Williams. She married Sterling "Pete" Kreiser on June 1, 1957, and he preceded her in death on Oct. 14, 1991.

Surviving are her mother and stepfather, Dorothy and Steve West of Marshall, Mich.; two sons, Ralph Kugler Jr. of Pleasant Lake and Malen Kugler of Ashley; three brothers, Maynard Williams of Marshall, Mich., Larry Williams of Orland and David Williams of Union City, Mich.; two sisters, Joyce Hartman of Hudson and Annabelle Cole of Brighton; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 1-5 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday in the Angola Assembly of God Church with Pastor Darold L. Beck officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Clayton Sattison

HUDSON — Clayton M. "Jack" Sattison, 70, of Hudson, died Wednesday at Intensiva Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Sattison, a veteran of the U.S. Army, had been a farmer and was retired from Hillsdale Tool in Hamilton.

He was born June 24, 1928, in Fremont to the late Milo and Geneva "Neva" (Crooks) Sattison.

Surviving are a sister, Clara Rheinheimer of Angola; seven brothers, Carl (and wife, Pat) Sattison of Warsaw, Lawrence (and wife, June) Sattison of Hudson, Arthur (and wife, Della) Sattison of Fremont, Don (and wife, Sue) Sattison of Waterloo, Larry (and wife, Anna) Sattison of Hudson, Mike Sattison of Pleasant Lake, and Carey (and wife, Diana) of Angola; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, William and Cliffton; and a sister, Sue Ann.

Graveside services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday at Mount Zion Cemetery, Steuben County, with John DiMarzio officiating. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Dale E. Hershberger

FREMONT — Dale E. Hershberger, 86, died Tuesday at 4:25 p.m. at his residence at Snow Lake.

Mr. Hershberger retired in 1977 after 25 years at E&R Tool, and was a member of the Angola Moose Lodge and the Eagles Lodge in Coldwater, Mich. He was a golfer, a gardener, and an avid fisherman.

He was born in Huntington County on Sept. 14, 1912, to Raulie and Esther (McCallister) Hershberger.

His first wife, Thelma (Nelson) Hershberger, died July 22, 1984.

He married Edith Warstler on Jan. 4, 1986, in Auburn. She survives in Snow Lake.

Also surviving are two daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara J. and Woody Craig of Fremont and Phyllis A. and Paul Whittaker of Pleasant Lake; one stepdaughter, Nancy Ware of Auburn; one stepson, Lionel Winslow of Coldwater, Mich.; one brother, Ralph Hershberger, of Coldwater; five grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren and five step-great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, one sister, Marie Hershberger, and one brother, Edgar Hershberger.

His funeral service will take place Sunday, Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. at the Lake George Lutheran Chapel in Fremont, with the Rev. Robert Fischer officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

There will be no public calling. Memorial contributions may be given to Cameron Home Health & Hospice in Angola or to the Lake George Lutheran Church.

Oscar Shumaker

SUN CITY, Calif. — Oscar Junior Shumaker, 71, of Romoland, Calif., died Tuesday in Menifee Valley Medical Center in Sun City.

Mr. Shumaker was a computer programmer for General Telephone Co. for 34 1/2 years.

He was born Dec. 31, 1926, in LaGrange County to the late Oscar and Leta May (McNabb) Shumaker.

On July 17, 1949, he married his wife, Kathleen, and she preceded him in death on Sept. 4, 1991.

He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Dianna and David Graeber of Romoland, Calif.; a brother, De Von Shumaker of Angola; and a grandchild, Dana Graeber of Romoland, Calif.

A graveside funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Teeters Cemetery, Clear Lake Township, Steuben County, with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating.

The Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, is in charge of arrangements.

Deaths/Funerals

Peggy Eicher

BUTLER — Peggy Joan Eicher, 71, of Butler, died Thursday at 10:05 p.m. at the Laurels of DeKalb Nursing Home in Butler.

Mrs. Eicher was employed as a typesetter at the News Herald of Detroit for 12 years.

She was born Oct. 29, 1927, in Fort Wayne to Wayne H. Fee, who preceded her in death, and Zelda M. (Siler) Fee, who survives in Butler.

In June 1946 in Swanton, Ohio, she married Junior D. Eicher, who preceded her in death Oct. 7, 1985.

Along with her mother, she is survived by a daughter, Reneé Heron of Hamilton; a son, Roger Eicher of Waterloo; a brother, Dennis Fee of Angola; a half-brother, John W. Fee of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

There will be no services or visitation. Arrangements were made by H. E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home.

Clayton Sattison

HUDSON — Graveside services for Clayton M. "Jack" Sattison will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at Mount Zion Cemetery, Steuben County.

John DiMarzio will officiate. Arrangements are being made by Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Mr. Sattison, 70, of Hudson, died Wednesday at Intensiva Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A veteran of the U.S. Army, he had been a farmer and was retired from Hillsdale Tool in Hamilton.

He was born June 24, 1928, in Fremont to the late Milo and Geneva "Neva" (Crooks) Sattison.

Surviving are a sister, Clara Rheinheimer of Angola; seven brothers, Carl (and wife, Pat) Sattison of Warsaw, Lawrence (and wife, June) Sattison of Hudson, Arthur (and wife, Della) Sattison of Fremont, Don (and wife, Sue) Sattison of Waterloo, Larry (and wife, Anna) Sattison of Hudson, Mike Sattison of Pleasant Lake, and Carey (and wife, Diana) of Angola; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, William and Cliffton; and a sister, Sue Ann.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Lena Fisher

ANGOLA — Lena L. Fisher, 82, of rural Angola, died Thursday at her home.

Mrs. Fisher worked for Moore Business Forms in Angola, retiring from the preliminary department in 1977.

She was born June 8, 1916, in Angola to the late Floyd A. and Ethel A. (Dick) Fireoved. Her husband, Orlis Fisher, preceded her in death Dec. 14, 1991.

Surviving are four daughters, Susanne Drew and Nancy J. Pinault of Fort Wayne, Kathy L. Fahlsing of West Lafayette and Connie L. Fisher of Scottsdale, Ariz.; a son, Dr. Richard L. Fisher of Indianapolis; a sister, Betty Disbro of Angola; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at Klink Funeral Home in Angola Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home Monday at 10:30 a.m., with the Rev. Ronald I. Moser officiating.

Burial will be in Columbia Cemetery in Columbia, Ohio. Memorial gifts may be given to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1102, Angola, and the Fort Wayne Hospice.

Leona Main

FRANKFORT — Leona Rosalind Main of Frankfort, 90, died Friday at 5:30 a.m. in Wesley Manor, Frankfort. She had lived in Hudson, where she and her husband had retired.

Mrs. Main was a lay minister for the Methodist Church, and was active in various churches in both women's and children's activities. She last served the First Church of Ann Arbor, Mich. She was a graduate of the Boston University School of Religious Education.

She was born Aug. 7, 1908, in Winslow, Maine, to the late William J. and Jenny (Perkins) McNeill. Her husband, the Rev. L. Burlin Main, preceded her in death Feb. 10, 1985.

Her son, James Edward Main, preceded her in death in 1990, and another son, Merrill Gene Main, preceded her in death in 1993.

She is survived by two grandsons, Michael and Jimmy John Main of Indianapolis; a granddaughter, Lisa Main, of Indianapolis; six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call at 1 p.m. Monday in Weicht Funeral Home, Angola. A funeral service will be conducted in the funeral home at 2 p.m. Monday, with the Rev. Donald Weaver officiating.

Burial will be in Wright Cemetery in Salem Township, Steuben County. Memorial gifts may be given to St. Matthew United Methodist Church in Frankfort.

Area Deaths

SYRACUSE — **Arlene M. Greene**, 80, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Mon., Dec. 7, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Lawrence Firestone

ASHLEY — Lawrence L. Firestone, 82, died Saturday at 4:30 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

Mr. Firestone worked at Auburn Foundry for 32 years, retiring in 1978. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Air Force and a member of the former Ashley post of the American Legion. He formerly lived on West Garfield Street in Ashley.

He was born Oct. 24, 1916, in Steuben County to the late Doren and Gladys (Fike) Firestone.

He married Edith Dickson on July 25, 1946, in Rome City, and she survives.

Also surviving are one son, Larry of Fremont; one sister, Wava Randal; eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

One brother, Orville, and two stepsons, Ralph and Phil Clark, preceded him in death.

A graveside service was held today in Fairfield Cemetery, in rural Corunna, with the Rev. Dean Snyder officiating.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be given to the American Diabetes Association.

Clarence Campbell

FREMONT — Clarence "Clare" Campbell, 76, of Fremont, died Saturday in the Veteras Administration Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Campbell was a veteran of World War II and a salesman for American Family Insurance Co. He lived with his daughter, Pixie Harris, and her companion, Gary Champion, in rural Fremont.

He was born Sept. 26, 1922, in Superior, Wis., to the late Clarence Leroy and Lucille (Mequiston) Campbell.

He is survived by a son, Rick Campbell of Belding, Mich.; two daughters, Pixie Harris of Fremont and Patsy Kline of Belding, Mich.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A son, Wesley Campbell, preceded him in death.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home with the Rev. Robert Staup officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Evening Star, Mon., Dec. 7, 1998

Gladys Sellers

ORLAND — Gladys L. Sellers, 94, of Orland, died at 8:05 p.m. Saturday in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mrs. Sellers was a homemaker and a member of Orland Congregational Church and the Ashley-Orland Order of the Eastern Star.

She was born April 12, 1904, in Noble County to the late Clarence and Inez Schutt.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth; a sister, Marjorie Gappinger; two sons, Don and Joe Sellers; and two brothers, Glen and Everett Schutt.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Jane and David Coler of Angola; a sister, Alice Freeman of LaOtto; 15 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home of Fremont. An Eastern Star service of remembrance will take place in the funeral home at 7 tonight.

The Rev. Mark Emelander will conduct a funeral service at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Orland Congregational Church.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Marie H. Koch**, 96, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Albion. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

AVILLA — **Erma L. Bohnenberger**, 84, died Friday. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla. Calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, and one hour before services at the church on Tuesday.

CHURUBUSCO — **John L. Pedigo**, 82, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Cornerstone Wesleyan Church, Merriam. Calling 5-8 p.m. today in Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, and one hour before services at the church on Tuesday. Additional services in McMinnville, Tenn., Thursday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Donald Lee Rubrake**, 61, died Saturday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Church of God, Columbia City. Calling 2-9 p.m. Tuesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City.

MILLERSBURG — **Erle L. Ketcham**, 40, died Friday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday

The Evening Star, Tues., Dec. 8, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Helen Baysinger

AUBURN — Helen Baysinger, 80, died Monday at 9:56 p.m. in Wesley Health Care Center, Auburn.

Mrs. Baysinger formerly lived on South Division Street in Auburn. She worked for Messenger Corp. in Auburn for 15 years, retiring in 1972. She attended the First Christian Church in Auburn and was a volunteer with the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. She was a 50-year member of the Women of the Moose.

She was born Oct. 31, 1918, in Delphos, Ohio, to the late Oscar and Pearl (May) Best.

She married Robert L. Baysinger on May 27, 1934, in Auburn, and he died April 3, 1991.

Surviving her are one son, James of Auburn; four daughters, Janet Campbell of Big Otter Lake, Fremont, Joanne Cranston of Orange Beach, Ala., Julia Ingels of Frankfort, and Joyce Schick of Angola; four brothers, Eugene Best of Albion, Norman Best of Indianapolis, Clarence Best of Auburn and Richard Best of Lafayette; one sister, Martha Rudmicki of Garrett; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Three brothers, John, Howard and Ralph Best, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. A Women of the Moose service will be held Thursday evening in the funeral home.

Her funeral service will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Terry Noller officiating. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions may be given to a hospice of the donor's choice, or to Moosehaven or Mooseheart.

Robert Murray

AUBURN — Robert W. Murray, 75, died Monday at 10 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Murray was a set-up man, inspector and developer for Warner Gear in Auburn for 36 years, retiring in 1982. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of the Ashley Masonic Lodge and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite.

He was born Jan. 3, 1923, in Noble County. His mother, Helen (Hardenbrook) Murray Michaels, survives in Fort Wayne and his father, Floyd Murray, is deceased.

He married Eirwen Jones on July 14, 1945, in North Wales, and she survives in Auburn.

Also surviving are one son, Michael B. Murray of Garrett; one brother, Carl Murray of Auburn; and two grandchildren, Dustin and Dylan Murray.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. The Ashley Masonic Lodge will conduct a service Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

His funeral service will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, with a graveside military service by the Waterloo post of Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorial contributions may be given to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, Chicago.

Ida Mae Brand

AUBURN — Ida Mae Brand, 76, died Monday at 3:30 a.m. in her Auburn home.

Mrs. Brand was a secretary for the Heimach Senior Center in Auburn, and was a former medical assistant for Dr. Carrothers and Dr. C.J. Shultz. She was a former employee of the Northeast Indiana Area 3 Council on Aging. She attended the Butler Church of Christ.

She was born Dec. 29, 1921, in Bellefontaine, Ohio, to the late Harry and Anna (Deardorf) Parkison.

She married Cecil E. Brand on Feb. 12, 1950, in Butler and he died Feb. 11, 1983.

Surviving her are two daughters, Kathleen Douglas of Auburn and Kristine Boyer of Mesa, Ariz.; one brother, Ivan Parkison of Butler; one sister, Zilphia Michael of Detroit; one grandson, Todd Garman; three stepgrandchildren, Brandt, Angela and Andrew Douglas; and two stepgreat-grandsons, Ty and Lane Douglas.

One brother, Corwin Parkison, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Her funeral service will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Doug Holley and Dale Rabineau officiating.

Burial will take place in Alton Cemetery, St. Joe.

Memorial donations may be given to the Heimach Senior Center or Lake James Christian Assembly.

Evening Star, Tues., Dec 8, 1998

Walter Ingledue

PLEASANT LAKE — Walter James Ingledue, 85, of Pleasant Lake, died today at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Ingledue was a farmer, a member of Pleasant Lake Baptist Church and a former member of the Pleasant Lake Lions Club.

He was born Dec. 23, 1912, in Metz, to the late George and Flossie (Slack) Ingledue.

On Dec. 25, 1932, he married Grace Wolf, and his wife survives in Pleasant Lake.

He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. A brother, Dean A. Ingledue, preceded him in death.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with the Rev. George Foulk officiating.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour before the funeral service Thursday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to RISE Inc. and Pleasant Lake Baptist Church.

Arthur Collins

CALABASH, N.C. — Arthur Stanley Collins, 82, died Sunday morning in Supply, N.C.

Mr. Collins lived in Calabash and formerly lived in Kendallville. He worked for McCray Refrigerator Co. in Kendallville for many years and retired from Hill Refrigerator Co. in Trenton, N.J., in 1980. He was a member of the Calabash Elks Lodge and was of the Presbyterian faith.

He was born July 11, 1916, on the River Thames in London, England, to the late Arthur and Dorcas Collins.

He married Kathleen Jane Applegate in Garrett and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Kim and Joyce Collins of Baltimore, Md., and Brad and Barbara Collins of Yardley, Pa.; and one granddaughter, Virginia Kathleen Collins of Baltimore.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Brunswick Funeral Service, Shallotte, N.C.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Florence I. Deems**, 76, died Sunday. Services at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there one hour before services.

The Evening Star, Wed., Dec. 9, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Ruth Brockman

ANGOLA — Ruth E. (Coulter) Brockman, 77, died Monday in Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Born in Illinois, she was a health care administrator and consultant with Cameron Hospital in Angola, and was administrator of Healthy Life Steps program at the hospital. She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, and active in church and community organizations. She was involved in geriatric health and was a former member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne.

Survivors include one daughter, Sandy Roemke of Angola; one son, Ron of Fort Wayne; one sister, Dorothy Shamhart of Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister-in-law, Wilma Coulter of Phoenix; and four grandchildren.

Her husband, Elmer E. Brockman, died in 1957.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, with a fellowship following in the church basement.

Family and friends will gather for a party and joyous celebration of her life on Jan. 10 at 1 p.m. at the Saalfrank farm, Fremont. Those attending should contact family members.

D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to Calvary Lutheran Church or the American Cancer Society.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Joseph J. Peterson**, 86, died Tuesday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia city, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday.

Deaths/Funerals

Doris Scribner

FORT WAYNE — Doris L. Scribner, 68, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday in Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

A native of Rome City, she was a contract driver for Fort Wayne Newspapers, retiring in 1991 after 17 years.

Surviving are seven daughters, Sherry Render of Garrett, Shelley Reinig of Ossian, and Susan Scribner, Shelly Gray, Toni Klopfenstein, Tracy Snydrom and Amy Scribner, all of Fort Wayne; and nine grandchildren.

Her husband, Raymond G., preceded her in death in 1979.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road. Burial will be in Prairie Grove Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

Betty Hill

FREMONT — Betty D. Hill, 77, of Fremont, died Tuesday at her residence.

Mrs. Hill had been a registered nurse at St. Mary's Medical Center in Hobart, retiring in 1979 after 17 years of service. She was a member of the Fremont United Methodist Church and the Steuben County Womens Club.

She was born Nov. 12, 1921 in Fremont to the late Pyrl and Merle (Hamman) Duncan.

On Oct. 20, 1945, she married Billy Hill, who preceded her in death in 1980.

Surviving are a son, Matthew (and wife, Mary) Hill of Louisville; two daughters, Cynthia Ziegele of Fort Wayne, and Jennifer Hill of Fremont; a sister, Iris (and husband, Raymond) Walter of Fremont; a brother, Claire (and wife, Katie) Duncan of Fremont; and four grandchildren, Elizabeth, Jason, Michael and Kelcie.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont. Services are 1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. Greg Rittenhouse officiating. Burial will be in Jamestown Cemetery, Fremont.

Memorials may be made to the Fremont United Methodist Church.

Area Deaths

MILFORD — **Mildred E. Thomas**, 89, died Wednesday. Graveside services today at 3 p.m. at Milford Cemetery. No calling.

ALBION — **John L. Prickett**, 86, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion. No calling.

The Evening Star, Fri., Dec. 11, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Emory Likes

ANGOLA — Emory C. Likes, 79, died Wednesday at 9:39 p.m. in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Kendallville March 14, 1919, to Linus and Ellie (Williams) Likes. He married Pat Cope and she survives.

Mr. Likes moved to Angola in 1989 from Shipshewana. He was a retired farmer and a member of Independent Full Gospel Church in Ashley.

Surviving with his wife are eight daughters, Shirley Smith, Mary Smith and Karen Leonard, all of Sturgis, Mich., Carol McNall of Shipshewana, Linda Iddings of Pleasant Lake, Janice Frankburger of Goshen, Effie Bard of Montpelier, Ohio, and Raechelle Moulton of Hastings, Mich.; five sons, Paul Lauderdale of Plainwell, Mich., Duane Likes of Fort Wayne, Sheldon Likes and Ricky Likes, both of Angola, and Danny Likes of Strongsville, Ohio; 27 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Tommy, in 1959.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Independent Full Gospel Church, Ind. 4 and C.R. 23, Ashley.

Visitation is 30 minutes before services on Saturday at the church.

Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, is in charge of arrangements.

Herbert McAninch

AUBURN — Herbert A. McAninch, 90, died Thursday evening in his Auburn home. Arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Auburn. A full obituary will appear in Saturday's edition.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Dale P. Sprankle**, 70, died Wednesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

LAGRANGE — **Gloria M. Fulford**, 55, died Wednesday. No services. Calling 2-4 p.m. Sunday in the home of her aunt, Mavis Fulford, 1304 S. Martin St., Ligonier.

MERRIAM — **Dale L. Rothgeb**, 35, died Wednesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. today.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Margarito V. Mote**, 53, died Thursday. Services at 3 p.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there two hours before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Herbert McAninch

AUBURN — Herbert A. McAninch, died Thursday at 6 p.m. in his Auburn home.

Mr. McAninch was a mechanical engineer for 28 years for Borg-Warner Corp., retiring in 1972. He had lived in Auburn since 1949. He was a member of DeKalb Masonic Lodge 214, Scottish Rite and Mizpah Shrine in Fort Wayne.

He graduated from Rose Polytechnic in 1934 with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He attended the University of Michigan in the summers of 1935-36 and received a mechanical engineering master's degree from Rose Polytechnic in 1939. He received a doctor of engineering degree from Rose-Hulman Institute in 1986.

He worked for Link Belt Co. in Indianapolis from 1934-41. He worked at Studebaker Aviation in Fort Wayne during World War II and joined Borg-Warner in Auburn in 1943 as a vice president of engineering. He was transferred to Borg-Warner Research Center in Des Plaines, Ill., in 1960. From the center, he was loaned to the U.S. State Department to survey the automotive manufacturing industry in India for six months. After that assignment, he assisted with Borg-Warner International manufacturing plant development in Argentina, Australia and South Africa until 1968. From 1968 until his retirement, he was associate director of Borg-Warner Research Center in Des Plaines.

He was the holder of more than 30 patents. He worked on a gas-turbine drive line for an amphibious military vehicle and developed a line of gear boxes for farm machinery. He was considered the father of the Roll-A-Belt and holds patents in hydrostatic and manual transmissions, and locking hubs.

He was a life member of A.S.M.E. and the American Society for Metals. He was a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers and had been a director of Hermac Corp. since 1976.

He was born May 17, 1908, in Frankfort, Clinton County, Ind., to the late Harry and Olive (Black) McAninch.

He married Louise Woodruff in June 1935, and she died April 16, 1979.

Surviving him are one daughter, Erna Pelok of Wauseon, Ohio, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Jack; and two brothers, Robert B. and John C.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 19, at 11 a.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Dr. Jack Lewis Percell of Auburn Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will take place in Kilmor, Ind., at 2:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Herbert and Louise McAninch Scholarship Endowment at Rose-Hulman Institute.

Leland Keener

AUBURN — Leland "Red" Keener, 74, died Thursday at 8 a.m. in his Auburn home.

Mr. Keener was a former resident of Fort Wayne and Hamilton. He was employed as a crane operator at Joslyn Stainless Steel for 23 years, retiring in 1975. He also worked at Cameron Hospital in Angola for 15 years, retiring in 1991.

Mr. Keener is survived by his wife, Naomi K. Keener of Auburn; four daughters, Brenda Chavis and Laura Medina, both of Auburn, Linda Carpenter of Angola and Carol Smith of Hamilton; three sons, Thomas, Jack and Mark Keener, all of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Jack Willard Keener of Fort Wayne and Lyndall Keener of De Funiak, Fla.; five sisters, Joan Klotz of Fort Wayne, Marge Overmeyer of Antwerp, Ohio, Kathleen Hall of Mendota, Ill., Bonnie Jeremy of Oakdale, Calif., and Joyce Abbott of Medesto, Calif.; 25 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at the Tom Mungovan Funeral Home, 2221 S. Calhoun St., Fort Wayne. There will be no funeral service. Memorial donations may be made to the family.

Loretta Lepley

GARRETT — Loretta M. Lepley, 86, of South Johnson Street in Garrett, died Thursday at 6 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mrs. Lepley was a seamstress at the Marshall Clothing Co. in Auburn for several years. She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church and its rosary society, Garrett Eagles Auxiliary, Auburn Moose Ladies Auxiliary, Hamilton Fish and Game Club, and the Heimach Senior Center.

She was born July 5, 1912, in Napoleon, Ohio, to the late Joseph and Mary (Fisher) Shuller.

On Feb. 22, 1935, she married Roy Lee Lepley in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo. He died Aug. 15, 1975.

Mrs. Lepley is survived by four sons, Richard of Auburn, LeRoy of Fort Wayne, Clark of Cass Lake, Minn., and Robert of Laguna Hills, Calif; three daughters, Joanna Rittenhouse of Pleasant Lake; Mary Baughman of Riverside, Calif., and Linda Dembickie of Tucson, Ariz.; three sisters, Josephine Jensen of Auburn, Rosemary Snyder of Hicksville, Ohio, and Rita Loomis of Danbury, Conn.; 18 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

A sister, Arlene Lucas, preceded her in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 p.m. and Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. A rosary service will be conducted Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

A funeral service will take place Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with the Rev. Thomas Lombardi officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery in Auburn.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett.

Evening Star, Sat, Dec. 12, 1998

Irene Glasford

BATH, N.Y. — Irene C. Glasford, 90, of Clubview Drive, died Thursday at her home.

She was a graduate of Edwards High School in Edwards, N.Y., and Potsdam Normal School in Potsdam, N.Y. She taught in a one-room schoolhouse in Edwards and was the postmaster at Balmat, N.Y. She was a past president of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary in Gouverneur, N.Y.

She was born March 25, 1908, in Russell, N.Y., to the late Warren and Lilly Allen Cousins. Her husband, John E. Glasford, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are one son, Allan Glasford of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; a daughter, Susan Ricks of Bath; six grandchildren, Teri MacArevey of Balston Spa, N.Y., Jay Glasford of Cedar Rapids, Thomas Laverghetta of Corpus Christi, Texas, Renee Laverghetta of Madison, Ind., Heather Ricks of Santa Cruz, Calif., and Megan Ricks of Bath; six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

One son, Donald Glasford, and two sisters, Beatrice Howe and Polly Ward, preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Gouverneur, N.Y.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Bath.

Fagan's Funeral Home in Bath is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Arthur E. Reidt**, 75, died at 11:15 p.m. Thursday. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday from 3-8 p.m.

James Martin

LAGRANGE — James E. Martin, 44, of LaGrange, died Friday at Life Care Center of LaGrange.

Mr. Martin was born July 24, 1954, in Muncie to Jack E. and E. Jean (Terrell) Martin. His mother survives in Angola, while his father died on July 26, 1991.

Mr. Martin moved from Muncie to LaGrange County in 1964. An employee of Multi-Plex, Inc. of Howe, he was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and was an avid bowler.

Also surviving are one daughter, Deborah A. Martin of Centreville, Mich.; one son, Patrick J. Martin of Topeka; two sisters, Terri Nodine of LaGrange and Mrs. Robin (Jackie) Bork of Angola; and one brother, Gregory A. Martin of Pleasant Lake.

The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Frurip-May Funeral Home of LaGrange, with Bishop Thomas Wilson officiating.

Visitation will be from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home, while burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery of LaGrange.

Preferred memorials are to the LaGrange County Cancer Society.

Kylie Hall

ANGOLA — Kylie Deanna Hall was stillborn Thursday at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She is survived by her mother, Linda Haifley of Angola; a half-brother, Kyler Haifley, also of Angola; and her maternal grandparents, DeNese and Jack Landis of Fremont.

Private family graveside services will be conducted at Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola. Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Arrangements are being made by Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

The Evening Star, Mon., Dec. 14, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Thomas Campbell

AUBURN — Thomas J. Campbell, 51, died Friday at 4 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Campbell was a truck driver for the Crager Trucking Co. of Fremont.

He was born Oct. 27, 1947, in Indianapolis to Joseph W. and Esther (Baker) Campbell. Both parents are deceased.

Surviving him are two daughters, Tarma Van Aken of Fremont and Monita Bauder of Angola, and a brother, William J., of Wabash.

One brother preceded him in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will begin Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the Waterloo Cemetery. The Rev. James Engle, of Trinity Lutheran Church in Wabash, will officiate.

Memorial donations may be directed to the family.

Katheryn Bowers

KENDALLVILLE — Katheryn Louise Bowers, 80, of Kendallville, died at 9:30 a.m. Sunday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. She had been seriously ill the past two weeks.

She was born in Huntertown, Aug. 27, 1918, to Ernest and Alma (Andrews) Bowers.

Miss Bowers had moved to Kendallville 50 years ago from Huntertown. She was a member of Trinity Church United Methodist, Kendallville.

Only cousins survive.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Dr. Dale Mendenhall officiating.

Visitation is one hour before services on Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity Church United Methodist.

Clara Warstler

PLEASANT LAKE — Clara E. Warstler, 74, of Pleasant Lake, died at 5:49 a.m. Sunday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health but seriously ill only one week.

She was born in Pleasant Lake on March 19, 1924, to Clyde and Lena (Freed) Bolinger. On May 8, 1943, in the Pleasant Lake Baptist parsonage, she married Cleo Warstler. He survives.

Mrs. Warstler, a 1943 graduate of Pleasant Lake High School, was a lifetime Pleasant Lake resident. She was formerly employed by Cameron Hospital in Angola, Lake View Motor Inn and Lyall (Pent). She was a member of Pleasant View Church of Christ, Angola, and a 45-year member of Ashley Chapter of Order of the Eastern Star No. 229.

Surviving with her husband are a daughter and son-in-law, Dianna and Gary Milliman of Angola; a son and daughter-in-law, Dale and Judy Warstler of Pleasant Lake; a brother, Chester Bolinger, White Pigeon, Mich.; four grandchildren, Dale Stevenson, Scott Warstler, Bryan Warstler and Robert "Robbie" Warstler; and two great-grandchildren, Trevor Warstler and Brittany Warstler.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Lawrence Bolinger, and a sister, Margie Bolinger.

Funeral services will be a 11 a.m. Wednesday in Pleasant View Church of Christ, Angola, with Tim Seevers officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Zion Cemetery, rural Pleasant Lake.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday. There will be OES memorial services Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Pleasant View Church of Christ, Angola.

Albert Clark

FORT WAYNE — Albert E. Clark, 71, of Fort Wayne, died at 10:30 p.m. Saturday in his residence. He had been ill three months.

He was born in Farmer, Ohio, July 7, 1927, to Avery S. and Laura V. (Underwood) Clark. On July 7, 1947, in Garrett, he married Kathleen A. Murphy. She survives.

Mr. Clark, formerly of Garrett, had lived in Fort Wayne 38 years. He was a retired truck driver for the Allen County Highway Department. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran, attended the Christian Union Church in Garrett and a member of American Legion Post 82, Fort Wayne.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Betty J. Davies of Fort Wayne; seven sons, Roger L. Clark and Larry E. Clark, both of Leo, Kenneth W. Clark, Michael Clark and David E. Clark, all of Fort Wayne, Daniel Clark of Spencerville, and Fredrick Clark of Auburn; two sisters, Edna Cooley of Bryan, Ohio, and Betsy Watson of Auburn; two brothers, Burl S. Clark of Bryan, and Charles L. Clark of Paulding, Ohio; 22 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Jerel L. Book officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery with military graveside services.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Evening Star, Mon., Dec. 14 1993

Jessie Reeves

BUTLER — Jessie M. Reeves, 68, of rural Butler, died Saturday at 9:05 a.m. in Fountain Manor Care Center, Hicksville, Ohio, following an extended illness. She had been a patient at Fountain Manor for two days.

Mrs. Reeves was a homemaker and a lifelong area resident.

She was born Nov. 7, 1930, near Edgerton, Ohio, to Robert and Minnie (VanBuskirk) Gallant. She was married for 22 years to William A. Reeves, who preceded her in death Dec. 25, 1969.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Stafford of Hicksville; a son, William Reeves of Butler; a stepson, Terry L. Reeves of Bryan, Ohio; two brothers, Kenny Gallant and Robert Gallant, both of Bryan; two sisters, MaryJane McClain of Swanton, Ohio, and Dixie Michoff of Bryan; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Linda Reeves; a stepdaughter, Carolyn Jean Underwood; a brother, Lawrence Gallant; and four grandchildren.

Services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton, with Noah Delagrange officiating. Burial will follow in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Hideko Hague

COLUMBIA CITY — Hideko Hague, 51, died Saturday morning at her home in Columbia City, following a period of failing health.

She was born Dec. 11, 1947, in Japan to Tasuku and Hisako Yamasaki, who survive in Hiroshima, Japan.

After spending her formative years in Japan, she moved to Albion and, in 1972, to Quantico, Va., later returning to Albion. She became a U.S. citizen in 1983 and made her home in Columbia City for the past six years.

She was employed at the Raytheon Corp. in Columbia City for the past 19 years. She was a member of the American Legion Post 423 Auxiliary and Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary of Columbia City.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by a son and his wife, Hideyuki and Kristin Hague of Columbia City; a daughter, Theresa Marie Hague of Portage; three grandchildren, Justin, Brittany and Kayla Hague; and a special friend, Bill Delancey of Angola.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with the Rev. Barry Faucett officiating. Burial will be in Greenhill Cemetery, Columbia City.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to breast cancer research.

Patricia Knauer

AVILLA — Patricia Jean Knauer, 75, of Avilla, died unexpectedly at 11:10 p.m. Wednesday in McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville.

She was born in Avilla, Aug. 12, 1923, to Claude M. and Theresa (Ueber) Knauer.

Miss Knauer, a lifetime Avilla resident, had worked at Community State Bank in Avilla for more than 40 years. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and its rosary Sodality.

Only a brother, Thomas G. Knauer of Austin, Texas, survives.

Funeral services will be in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla, at 10 a.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Dan Durkin officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with a Bible service at 6:30 p.m.

Preferred memorials are Masses to the church.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — Arthur E. Reidt, 75, died Thursday. Services were today Churubusco.

Deaths/Funerals

Armen Mason

ANGOLA — Armen F. Mason, 85, of Angola, died Monday in Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

Mrs. Mason was a homemaker and attended Fairview Missionary Church. She wrote poetry verses for the American Greeting Card Co. She moved to Angola five years ago, with her husband, from Newark, Del.

She was born July 18, 1913, in Auburn to the late Chastine and Ethel (Houser) Johnston.

On Sept. 11, 1943, she married Charles Mason, who preceded her in death on May 14, 1997.

Surviving are a brother, Raymen Johnston of Fort Wayne, three nephews and two nieces.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Richard Johnston, in 1944.

There will be no calling. Graveside services will begin at 10 a.m. Monday in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola, with the Rev. Norman Fuller officiating. Arrangements are being made by the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Memorial donations may be made to Fairview Missionary Church, Angola.

Austin Roberts

KENDALLVILLE — Austin Lee Roberts, 3 months old, died at 6:25 p.m. Sunday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Fort Wayne Sept. 8, 1998, to Jason Price and Melissa Roberts. They survive in Kendallville.

Surviving with the parents are a sister, Tiauna Roberts, at home; a half-sister, Brittany Blankenship of LaGrange; maternal grandparents, Tom and Sue Henry of Kendallville, and Peggy Vincent of Angola; paternal grandparents, Kevin and Carla Mast of LaGrange; maternal great-grandparents, Thomas Henry Sr. and Milford and Inez Minton, all of Louisville, Ky.; paternal great-grandparents, Carl and Barb Green of LaGrange, and Eli and Donna Mast of Shipshewana; an aunt and uncle, Nicole and Kenny Hicks of Kendallville; and a cousin, Jesse Hicks of Kendallville.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Willie Collins of Zion United Baptist Church in Valentine officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-9 p.m. today in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Richard McIntosh

MADISON, Wis. — Richard L. "Mac" McIntosh, 77, of Madison, died of cancer Thursday at Middleton Village.

He was born July 22, 1921, in Waterloo to Ford and Maude (Smith) McIntosh.

He served as a bombardier in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

On July 20, 1945, he married Esther Stookey in Carlsbad, N.M.

Following the war, he was graduated from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Pharmacy. He was a pharmaceutical representative for Winthrop Laboratories for 15 years. He worked in retail pharmacy before joining the staff at St. Mary's Medical Center, from which he retired in 1986.

His activities in the community included membership in Covenant Presbyterian Church, Optimist Club and various pharmaceutical organizations. He served in the Volunteers in Probation Program, and in his retirement played trombone in the New Horizons Band and VFW Band. He loved spending time with his family, traveling, and appreciating nature through bird watching, gardening and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Esther; three daughters, Jane Minnema (and husband Stephen) of Mankato, Minn., Jyl Molle (and husband Randy) of Madison, and Ginger McIntosh of Madison; four grandchildren and one great-grandson; a sister, Doris Everetts of Hamilton Lake; a brother, Wilmer, of Detroit; and many close relatives.

Four brothers, Arling, Ronald, Bradford and Ned, preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be held Monday at 2 p.m. in Covenant Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Bette Duff and the Rev. John Hill will officiate.

A second memorial service will take place in Waterloo at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society or the Wisconsin Pharmacists Association.

Guy Watson

WATERLOO — Guy G. Watson, 66, died this morning at 6:30 in his home on South Washington Street in Waterloo,

Mr. Watson was employed for 30 years at Foley Pattern Co. in Auburn, retiring in 1989. He was a Korean War veteran, serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the New Hope Christian Center in Waterloo.

He was born Sept. 8, 1932, in Spencerville to the late Earl and Vernice (Yazel) Watson.

On Dec. 21, 1952, in Corunna, he married Beverly Boyd. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Darlene Sue Watson, Deborah Kay Meade and Theresa Aileen Szeman, all of Waterloo; a brother, Roger Watson of Newville; and a sister, Helen Dennison of Newville.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gerald Grant Watson; a brother, Richard Watson; and a grandson, Jody David Fuller.

Funeral services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo, with the Rev. Ralph Diehl officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the New Hope Christian Center, Waterloo, or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Area Deaths

CROMWELL — **Robert Neal Franklin**, 82, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Syracuse United Pentecostal Church, with calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

LAGRANGE — **Charles B. Burhenn**, 86, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in Fruriptmay Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Cheryl Lynn Kelley**, 40, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Thursday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 6-9 p.m. today and 2-9 p.m. Wednesday.

Deaths/Funerals

Betty Jane Reese

AUBURN — Betty Jane Reese, 77, died Tuesday at 3:50 p.m. in the Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana at Fort Wayne.

She had lived in Wesley Park Apartments of Auburn. She was a homemaker and former resident of Hamilton.

She was born Jan. 26, 1921, in Butler to Frank and Mabel (Oberlin) Abram.

Her first husband, Clyde Dee Reese, died in 1972. She then married Paul Reiman, who died in 1975.

She is survived by two sons, Mike of Baytown, Texas, and Barry of Auburn; one sister, Mary Lou McPheeters of Garrett; four grandchildren, Michael Reese II, Kathy Williams, Natalee Reese and Carma Reese; and two great-grandchildren, Megan Reese and Michael Reese III.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. The Rev. Paul Burrus, pastor of the Indian Village Church of God in Auburn, will officiate. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery near Garrett.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Indian Village Church of God or the Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

Norman Peckhart

HUDSON — Norman E. Peckhart, 83, of Hudson, died at 8:24 p.m. Tuesday in Carlin Park Health Care Center in Angola.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home in Hudson.

Guy Watson

WATERLOO — Guy G. Watson, 66, died Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. in his home on South Washington Street in Waterloo,

Mr. Watson was employed for 30 years at Foley Pattern Co. in Auburn, retiring in 1989. He was a Korean War veteran, serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the New Hope Christian Center in Waterloo.

He was born Sept. 8, 1932, in Spencerville to the late Earl and Vernice (Yazel) Watson.

On Dec. 21, 1952, in Corunna, he married Beverly Boyd. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Darlene Sue Watson, Deborah Kay Meade and Theresa Aileen Szeman, all of Waterloo; a brother, Roger Watson of Newville; and a sister, Helen Dennison of Newville; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gerald Grant Watson; a brother, Richard Watson; and a grandson, Jody David Fuller.

Funeral services will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday in Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo, with the Rev. Ralph Diehl officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the New Hope Christian Center, Waterloo, or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Janet Hearn

AUBURN — Janet K. Hearn, 42, of rural Auburn, died at work in Butler on Tuesday.

She was born May 24, 1956, in Kendallville to Donald Lee and Betty "Carolyn" (Ihrie) Taylor. They survive in Kendallville. She married Kevin Hearn Oct. 18, 1996, in Las Vegas, Nev., and he also survives.

Mrs. Hearn had lived in Auburn 2 1/2 years and was a lifetime resident of this area. She was employed by Bohn Aluminum in Butler four years as a plant buyer and had worked for Tokheim in Albion for 13 years. She attended First Presbyterian Church in Kendallville.

Surviving with her husband and parents are her stepgrandmother, Marie E. Schwartz of Kendallville; two sisters, Sally Ann Taylor and Linda Davis, both of Kendallville; two brothers, Daniel L. Taylor and Douglas L. Taylor, both of Kendallville; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 11 am. Friday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with the Rev. Stanley Kessler officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Lula Howard Slone**, 83, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling there 2-9 p.m. Friday.

LAGRANGE — **Kathryn L. Brady**, 80, died Tuesday. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 5-8 p.m. Friday.

MERRIAM — **Elizabeth Luckey**, 95, died Monday. Services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 3-8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Dec. 17, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Betty M. Smith

GARRETT — Betty M. Smith, 73, died Tuesday at 5:52 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at Auburn.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

She was born May 30, 1925, in Garrett to Leon and Ethel (Harvey) Bloom.

She married Estelle Smith on Jan. 31, 1945, in Garrett. He survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are two sons, Max E. and Bernard M., both of Garrett; one daughter, Adele Williams of Torrance, Calif.; four sisters, Mary Kern of Houston and Ann Springer, Valetta Walter and Martha Musser, all of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Harold and Paul Bloom; and one sister, Sue Dean.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Garrett Presbyterian Church. The Rev. William Haworth will officiate.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, and at 1 p.m. Saturday, prior to the funeral service at the church.

Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery of rural Garrett.

Memorial donations may be made to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Paul Martin Sr.

HAMILTON — Paul Edward Martin Sr., 61, died Wednesday in Parkview Hospital of Fort Wayne.

Mr. Martin lived on County Road 650-East, Hamilton. He was a process engineer at Navistar in Fort Wayne for more than 30 years, retiring in 1985, and was a farmer. He was a former member of the Masonic Lodge in Hamilton and was of the Methodist faith.

He was born Sept. 3, 1937, in Auburn to Donald Joseph Martin and Edna Virginia (Lawhead) Martin, both now deceased.

He married Sonja Marie (Stark) on July 4, 1959, in Auburn. She survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Paul Jr. (and wife Kelly), Gary and Edward (and wife Nancy), all of Hamilton; one daughter, Joyce Stark (and husband Jeff) of Edgerton, Ohio; six grandchildren; one brother, Delbert of Butler; and four sisters, Madge Wicks of San Metero, Fla., Donna Tucker (and husband Stanley) of Mount Airy, N.C., Sara Mattero of Chula Vista, Calif., and Ruth Meyers (and husband Doug) of West Unity, Ohio.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m at the Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home in Hamilton.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Ed Clark officiating. Interment will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Glenis N. Conine

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Glenis N. Conine, 82, of Hicksville, Ohio, died Wednesday at 9:45 a.m. in her home on South Bryan Street. She had been failing in health for the past few years.

Mrs. Conine was employed at Sechler's Pickles in St. Joe for several years. She graduated from Mark Center High School in 1934.

She was born Aug. 12, 1916, in Defiance County, Ohio, to Alva and Dessie (Sleesman) Osmun.

She married Mervine V. Conine on June 27, 1936, in Avilla. He died May 7, 1998.

Surviving are one son, Larry of Hicksville; one granddaughter, Candy VanZile of Auburn; two great-grandsons; two stepgrandchildren, Tracy Champion of Fort Wayne and Jeff Champion of Goshen; five stepgreat-grandchildren and one sister, Jeanette Moore (and husband Ray) of Newville.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Russell Osmun, Wilmer "Bill" Osmun and an infant brother.

Friends may call today after 5 p.m. at Brown Funeral Home, 706 N. Main St., Hicksville.

Services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home with Lloyd Turnbull officiating. Burial will be in Newville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Home Health Care of DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn.

394

Evening Star, Ft. Wayne Dec. 17, 1998 (cont'd)

Norman Peckhart

HUDSON — Norman E. Peckhart, 83, of Hudson, died at 8:24 p.m. Tuesday in Carlin Park Health Care Center in Angola.

He was born in Auburn on May 9, 1915, to Ora and Pearl (Jackson) Peckhart. On May 1, 1943, in Waterloo, he married Effie Rowe. She survives.

Mr. Peckhart had resided in Hudson for 42 years. He retired from Auburn Tankage after 20 years.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Ed Sessford of Fremont, Beverly and Dean Schieber of Ashley, and Janet and Bob Deam of Auburn; two sisters, Vivian Shepherd of Kendallville, and Velma Maybe of Butler; a brother, Ronnie Peckhart of Corunna; seven grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson, with the Rev. Kent Dale officiating. Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation is from 6-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Selma A. Favory

FORT WAYNE — Selma A. Favory, 88, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday in Beverly Rehabilitation & Specialty Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Favory worked as a seamstress at Zeigler's for 20 years, retiring in 1972. She belonged to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, where she was a member of the church's senior group, choir and did numerous volunteer jobs.

She was born May 8, 1910, in Allen County.

She was married to John A. Favory, who died Aug. 20, 1976. Also preceding her death was a son, Raymond J.

She is survived by a son, Clark A. of Fort Wayne; three daughters, Norma J. Martin, Janet E. Davis and Nancy K. Lee, all of Fort Wayne; a sister, Alline Sullivan of Fort Wayne; a brother, William Stein of Auburn; seven grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne.

A funeral service will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Prairie Grove Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to Bethlehem Lutheran Church or Beverly Rehabilitation's Sunset Porch Alzheimer's Unit.

Carol Ball

GREEN SPRINGS, Ohio — Carol J. Ball, 55, died Tuesday as a result of an automobile accident in Ballville Township, near Fremont, Ohio.

Formerly a resident of Auburn and Bryan, Ohio, Mrs. Ball lived in Green Springs, Ohio.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Eagles, the Moose and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Bryan.

She was born May 11, 1943, in Louisville, Ky., to Vernie and Helen (Smith) Worman.

She married George Ball on July 30, 1960, in Butler. He died March 20, 1995.

She is survived by one sister, Sharon Barney of Green Springs, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Foos-Klein Funeral Home, 318 S. Main St., Clyde, Ohio.

Services will be conducted Saturday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. Graveside services will follow at 1 p.m. in Cromley Cemetery, Defiance, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of the donors choice.

Area Deaths

KENDALLVILLE — **Elmer P. Larson**, 78, died Wednesday. Memorial services at 11 a.m. Saturday in Faith United Methodist Church. No calling.

LIGONIER — **A. Ruth Shearer**, 87, died Tuesday. Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, with calling there an hour before services.

Deaths/Funerals

Tad Christlieb

ANGOLA — Tad J. Christlieb, 21, of Angola, died of injuries suffered in an automobile accident Thursday.

A 1996 graduate of Prairie Heights High School, he was a member of the National Honor Society. He attended Tri-State University and was a self-employed contractor.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Legion of Orland and attended Calvary Chapel Fellowship in Stroh.

He was born in Auburn on Oct. 15, 1977, to Ted and Janet (Tuttle) Christlieb. His parents survive in Angola.

Also surviving are three brothers, Kim of Orland, Todd of Hamilton and Kary of LaGrange; and a sister, Jennifer Christlieb of Angola.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

A funeral service will be conducted Monday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home, with Pastor Gary Rifenburg officiating.

Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Orland.

Carrie James

GARRETT — Carrie M. James, 89, died Wednesday at 5:37 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at Auburn.

She was a homemaker and lived on Trails North in Garrett.

She was born Jan. 18, 1909, in Lake County to Clarence and Della Wiant.

Surviving are a daughter, Iris Campbell of Garrett; two sons, Darwin "Bud" Bryan of LaOtto and Thomas James of St. Clairsville, Ohio; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers.

Friends may call Saturday from 2-3 p.m. at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Services will begin at 3 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home. Dr. Jack Lewis Pursell, pastor of the Auburn Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will take place at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the humane shelter.

Robert Tuttle

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Robert C. Tuttle, 76, died Thursday at 1:37 a.m. in Fountain Manor Care Center in Hicksville, where he was a resident for the past 2 1/2 years.

Mr. Tuttle owned and operated the Tuttle and Wittig Feed Mill in Hicksville for more than 40 years, retiring in 1987. He lived on Mill Creek Drive in Hicksville.

He graduated from Hicksville High School in 1940. He was a veteran of World War II, serving the Pacific with the U.S. Army. He was member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Hicksville Trinity United Methodist Church.

He was born March 20, 1922, in Hicksville to Harold H. and Vera Callender Tuttle.

He married Rosalie Richey in Hicksville on July 25, 1948. She died Sept. 6, 1993. He also was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Steven, and one sister, Martha Corcoran.

Surviving are one son, Ron of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Judy Byer of Anderson; four grandchildren; one brother, Maurice Tuttle of Angola; and two sisters, Maurine Gerig of Hicksville and Carlotta Atkisson of Vienna, Va.

Friends may call at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville after 2 p.m. Saturday and after 9 a.m. Sunday.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. The Rev. Tom Graves, pastor of the Hicksville Trinity United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Six Corners Cemetery at Hicksville. Graveside services will be conducted by the Hicksville posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hicksville Trinity United Methodist Church or the activities fund at Fountain Manor Care Center.

Area Deaths

COLUMBIA CITY — **Kenneth C. Crace**, 73, died Thursday at home. Services at 11 a.m. Saturday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, Mon., Dec. 21, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Edward Schaefer

PLEASANT LAKE — Edward A. Schaefer, 97, died Friday at 11 p.m. in St. Anne Home at Fort Wayne.

Mr. Schaefer previously had lived on Steuben County Road 500-S in rural Pleasant Lake. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in rural Waterloo. He had worked for 50 years as a wood pattern maker for General Pattern Works of Cincinnati, Ohio.

He was born May 20, 1901, in Cincinnati to Joseph and Elizabeth (Demerle) Schaefer.

He married Carolyn Oberlander on May 28, 1924, in Cincinnati.

His parents, his wife and three brothers preceded him in death.

Surviving are a niece, Sylvia Wetzel, and her husband, Jack.

Friends may call tonight from 6-9 at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

A service will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Father David Carkenord of St. Michael's Catholic Church will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Michael's Catholic Church.

Merton DeWitt

CORUNNA — Merton "Mutt" DeWitt, 92, died Saturday at 7:20 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mr. DeWitt formerly lived on Hope Street in Corunna. He was a foreman for the Auburn Automobile Co. in Connersville for 10 years, a rural mail carrier for the Corunna Post Office for 34 years and a night superintendent for Hubbard Spool Co. in Garrett for 10 years. He retired in 1974. He was a member and past commander of the Fathers Auxiliary of Kendallville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2749.

He was born June 30, 1906, in Garrett to the late Jay W. and Mattie (Mason) DeWitt.

He married Margaret Dawson in 1929 and she died in 1944. He then married Genevieve Gushwa on April 26, 1952, in Garrett and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Larry of Goshen and Donald of Paulding, Ohio; one daughter, Myrna Smith of Indianapolis; one stepson, John Gushwa of Minneapolis, Minn.; one stepdaughter, Karen Tuttle of Clearwater, Fla.; eight grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will begin Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. David Proctor, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Church in Paulding, Ohio, will officiate. Burial will take place in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Delight Prough

LAGRANGE — Delight E. Prough, 75, of LaGrange, died Friday in Florida Hospital, Sebring, Fla.

She was a retired reading tutor from Prairie Heights School Corp. and moved to LaGrange from Elkhart in 1950.

She was born May 19, 1923, in Elkhart to William D. and Hazel (Miller) Gans. Both are deceased.

Mrs. Prough was a member of the Plato Home Education Club, A.A.R.P., Senior Citizens and LaGrange County Historical Society, and she was a Vencor Hospital volunteer.

On May 14, 1943, she married Allen E. Prough in Wabash. He preceded her in death on Aug. 26, 1981.

Surviving are three daughters, Peggy Poore of Smithville, Mo., Marilyn Peterson of Guthrie, Okla., and Janet Mishler of Rumsey, Ky.; four sons, David Prough of Defiance, Ohio, James Prough of Butler, and Dale Prough and Daniel Prough, both of LaGrange; one sister, Idadale Scherer of Kissimmee, Fla., one brother, William M. Gans of Edwardsburg, Mich., and 16 grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange with the Rev. Lewis Miller officiating. Burial will be in Lake Bethel Cemetery in LaGrange.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to the Lake Bethel Mennonite Church.

Evening Star, Mon. Dec. 21, 1998 (cont'd)

Brock McClanahan

GRAYLING, Mich. — Brock McClanahan, 43, of Grayling, died Saturday at his residence.

Formerly of Fremont, he worked as a building contractor for 25 years in Angola and Grayling, and spent the past 10 years with B&B Contractors in Grayling.

Mr. McClanahan was born June 7, 1955, in Angola, to Ray and Treva (Hufnagle) McClanahan, who survive in Grayling.

On July 4, 1980, on Mackinac Island, Mich., he married Nancy (Elkins) McClanahan, who survives in Grayling.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mistey and Danielle McClanahan of Grayling; a son, Brock McClanahan of Grayling; a grandson, Tyler McClanahan of Grayling; a brother, Lavon (and wife, Karen) McClanahan of Fremont; a sister, Kathy Roddy of Fremont; a brother, Barry (and wife, Marilyn) McClanahan of Grayling; and nieces and nephews.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Grayling Assembly of God Church, with the Rev. Todd McClane officiating, and at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the New Life Worship Center, Angola. Burial will be in Fremont Cemetery.

Arrangements are being made by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

Anna Keller

AVILLA — Anna M. Keller, 92, of Kendallville, died at 2:50 p.m. Saturday in Shepherd of the Hill nursing home in Kendallville.

She was a homemaker and a lifetime resident of Avilla.

On Dec. 20, 1905, in Avilla, she was born to Frank J. and Sethera (Diehm) Lauer. She married Ralph L. Keller on Feb. 3, 1925. He preceded her in death on May 20, 1987.

She was a lifetime member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla, and a member of the Ladies Aid Society of the church.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Max (June) Newman of Kendallville, and Mrs. Alton (Betty) Egolf of Avilla; one sister, Helen Osborn of Battle Creek, Mich., 11 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, John and Charles Lauer, preceded her in death. A daughter, Marcile Hess, also preceded her in death on Aug. 31, 1996.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Brazzell Funeral Home in Avilla, and one hour prior to the funeral services at the church.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla with Pastor Dean Bearman officiating. Burial will be in Lutheran Cemetery in Avilla.

Memorial donations may be made to the Lutheran Cemetery Fund.

Area Deaths

STURGIS, Mich. — **Marjorie N. Field**, 69, of Sturgis, Mich., died Friday. Calling is 6 to 8 p.m. today at Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange. Services at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

HUNTERTOWN — **Mary C. Picker**, 66, of Huntertown, died Saturday. Calling is Tuesday from 9 a.m. until the funeral services at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco. Services at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

LAGRANGE — **Virginia A. Wilkinson**, 88, of LaGrange, died Saturday. Calling is from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Hutchins Funeral Home in Wolcottville. Graveside services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Woodland Cemetery in Wolcottville.

AVILLA — **Anna M. Keller**, 92, of Avilla, died Saturday. Calling is from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Brazzell Funeral Home in Avilla. Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla.

The Evening Star, Tues., Dec. 22, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

David Merriman

ST. JOE — David C. Merriman, 55, died Monday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Bowman was an engineer with Navistar International for 34 years, and loved nature. He was a native of Frankfort, Mich., and lived in St. Joe.

Surviving him are his wife, Sheila Merriman; one son, James H. Merriman of Fort Wayne; his mother, Fern Merriman of Jackson, Mich.; two stepsons, William V. Milliner of Oklahoma and Eric A. Milliner of Germany; a stepdaughter, Elizabeth Sanders of Waterloo; and a brother, Jon Merriman of Dallas.

His funeral service will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 9:30 a.m. Wednesday until the service begins.

Memorial contributions may be given to Cross Roads/Fort Wayne Children's Home, 2525 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne.

Steven Wilson

WATERLOO — Steven W. Wilson, 46, died on the afternoon of Dec. 17 in his home on East Union Street. He was a machine operator and had worked in several area factories.

Mr. Wilson was born Dec. 9, 1952, in South Bend to Edgar W. and Leatrice A. (Sheiber) Wilson. His mother survives in Mishawaka and his father is deceased.

Also surviving are one son, Russell of Mishawaka; one brother, Bob of Edwardsburg, Mich.; one sister, Diane Tangeras of New Haven; and two grandsons, Shawn and Seth Wilson.

His memorial service will be held Sunday at 1 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. The Rev. John Hostetter, pastor of the Waterloo United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be given to the South Bend Homeless Shelter.

Merton DeWitt

CORUNNA — Merton "Mutt" DeWitt, 92, died Saturday at 7:20 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Mr. DeWitt formerly lived on Hope Street in Corunna. He was a foreman for the Auburn Automobile Co. in Connersville for 10 years, a rural mail carrier for the Corunna Post Office for 34 years and a night superintendent for Hubbard Spool Co. in Garrett for 10 years. He retired in 1974.

He was a member and past commander of the Fathers Auxiliary of Kendallville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2749.

He was born June 30, 1906, in Garrett to the late Jay W. and Mattie (Mason) DeWitt.

He married Margaret Dawson in 1929 and she died in 1944. He then married Genevieve Gushwa on April 26, 1952, in Garrett and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Larry of Goshen and Donald of Paulding, Ohio; one daughter, Myrna Smith of Indianapolis; one stepson, John Gushwa of Minneapolis, Minn.; one stepdaughter, Karen Tuttle of Clearwater, Fla.; two brothers, John of Fort Wayne and Tom of Muncie; one sister, Evelyn Kolbe of Auburn, eight grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

His funeral service was conducted today at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 1 p.m. The Rev. David Proctor, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Church in Paulding, Ohio, officiated, with burial in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

The Evening Star, Wed., Dec. 23, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Robert Walston

ANGOLA — Robert W. Walston, 66, of Angola, died Tuesday in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital.

A retired farmer, Mr. Walston was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Navy. He was a life member of the Angola Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the Angola Moose Lodge.

He was born Aug. 10, 1932, in Dexter, Ky., to the late Richard and Ella Mae (Linn) Walston.

On June 6, 1959, he married Joyce Walston in Quincy, Mich. She survives at home.

Also surviving are a son, Timothy, of Angola; a daughter, Shannon Walston of Columbus, Ohio; and a brother, Hallett Walston (and wife, Diane) of Camden, Mich.

He was preceded in death by a brother, James Walston.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Robert Knowlton and the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Quincy, Mich., where military rites will be conducted.

Memorial donations may be made to the Steuben County Cancer Society or the Angola Christian Church of Christ.

Area Deaths

FORT WAYNE — **Janet R. Crumley**, 55, died Monday. Graveside services at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in New Paris Cemetery. Memorial service at 1 p.m. Thursday in Beacon Heights Church of the Brethren, 2810 Beacon St. Calling is from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. today in D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home.

SMYRNA, Tenn. — **Frank N. Kennedy**, 68, of Smyrna, died Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Monday at Woodfin Chapel Funeral Home, Smyrna, with calling there after 4 p.m. Saturday.

The Evening Star, Thurs., Dec. 24, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Erma Selking

FORT WAYNE — Erma Joy Selking, 69, died Tuesday at 1:55 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was a homemaker and lived in Fort Wayne. She was a member of North Park Community Church.

She was born March 25, 1929, in Fort Wayne to the late Samuel and Bertha (Graff) Steiner.

Surviving her are one daughter, Lynn K. Coulter of Grabill; two sons, David W. Rennecker and Dale A. Rennecker, both of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Alberta Ely of Auburn and Lorene Wiley of Garrett; and eight grandchildren.

Her funeral service will begin Saturday at 11 a.m. in North Park Community Church, 7160 Flutter Road, with calling after 10 a.m. The Rev. Scott Qualls and the Rev. Peter Kobe will officiate. Burial will take place in Leo Memorial Cemetery.

Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, 6131 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to Crisis Pregnancy Center, 3030 Lake Ave., Suite 20, Fort Wayne IN 46805.

Floyd Mason

HAMILTON — Floyd Mason, 83, died Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. in Carlin Park Health Care Center, Angola.

Mr. Mason worked as a machinist for several area industries and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was born Sept. 2, 1915, in Gravity, Ky., to the late William and Nora (Golden) Mason.

He married Eva Fields on Feb. 9, 1946, in Waterloo and she survives.

Also surviving are six sons, Ernest L. of Elmira, Steven E. of Fremont, and Kenneth D., Floyd R., William H., and Roger E., all of Angola; four daughters, Phyllis F. Jones of Waterloo, Linda L. Nelson of Hamilton, Norma A. Emerick of Angola and Loretta J. Shatto of Auburn; one sister, Mossie Rowe of Auburn; 23 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Three sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

Friends may call Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

His funeral service will be held Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, with the Rev. Kenny Queener officiating. Burial will take place in South Scott Cemetery, Angola.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

David Ernst

LIGONIER — David J. Ernst, 40, died Tuesday at 6:10 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital of Indiana following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Ernst was born Aug. 16, 1958, in Coldwater, Mich., to Francis and Dorothy (Chatfield) Ernst Sr., who survive in Kendallville.

He had most recently been employed by Royal Imprints of Ligonier and had lived in Ligonier for five months. Prior to that, he had lived in Kendallville and in Coldwater. He was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church in Coldwater.

Surviving also are a son, Jeremy D. Ernst of Quincy, Mich.; three brothers and sisters-in-law, Michael and Sue Ernst of Adrian, Mich., Francis and Karen Ernst Jr. of Jackson, Mich., and Richard and Debra Ernst of Angola; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Debra and John Roberts of Tekonsha, Mich., and Mary and Corwyn Kuipers of Grand Rapids, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

Following cremation, a memorial service will be held at St. Charles Catholic Church in Coldwater at 11 a.m. Jan. 9. Interment of the cremains will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Coldwater.

Preferred donations are to the American Diabetes Association.

Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier, is in charge of arrangements.

Deaths/Funerals

Jay Beckenhauer

ANGOLA — Jay G. Beckenhauer, 63, of Angola, died Thursday at home.

He worked in the maintenance department at Tri-State University. He was a member of the Angola Moose Lodge and served as a junior governor of the lodge for two years.

He was born March 31, 1935 in Detroit, Mich., to the late William and Jeanette (Stephens) Beckenhauer.

Also preceding him in death was a son, Dan Beckenhauer.

He is survived by his wife, Marie (Thornton) Breckenhauer, whom he married on Sept. 10, 1956.

Also surviving are two sons, Craig Beckenhauer of Allentown, Mich., and Timothy Beckenhauer of Chesterfield, Mich.; a daughter, Jayne Miller of Allenton, Mich.; a brother, Bill Beckenhauer of Arizona; two sisters, Virginia Thill of Florida and Patsy Kennedy of Grosse Point Woods, Mich.; and five grandchildren.

Friends may call today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Funeral services will begin at 1 p.m. today at the funeral home with the Rev. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating.

Burial will take place Monday at 11 a.m. in Clinton Grove Cemetery in Clinton County, Michigan.

Arrangements are being made by Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Marcella Clark

FORT WAYNE — Marcella J. Clark, 84, of Angola, died Friday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Clark was a retired assembler for Bronson Reel of Bronson, Mich.

She was born June 17, 1914, in Wabash to the late John and Julia Passino Hubbard.

Also preceding her in death was her husband, Alva Clark, in 1986.

She is survived by two sons, Ken Shuler of Angola, and Ronald Shuler of Ashley; a daughter, Carol Westfall of Columbus, Ohio; nine grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren.

Friends may call Sunday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Klink Funeral Home in Angola.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Scott D. Miller officiating.

Burial will be in Bronson Cemetery, Bronson, Mich.

Wilma Camp

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Wilma J. Camp, 56, died Thursday at 5:45 a.m. in Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Camp lived on Columbus Street in Hicksville. She was a 1960 graduate of Leo High School.

She was born April 19, 1942, in Fort Wayne to Albert and Olive (Witmer) Kryder.

She married Russell Camp on Oct. 1, 1960, in Auburn. He survives.

Also surviving are a son, Scott Camp of Garrett; a daughter, Judy Camp of Hicksville; a stepgrandson, Bradley Hathaway; and two sisters, Juanita Hall of Columbia City and Cheryl Wiesehan of Defiance, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Jeffery.

Friends may call at Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville after 2 p.m. today and after 9 a.m. Sunday.

Services will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. Ken Wellman, minister at the Hicksville First Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Area Deaths

LAGRANGE — **Elsie M. Reinhart**, 80, of LaGrange, died Friday in LaGrange. Calling Sunday from 2-6 p.m. at Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange. Services Monday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville. Memorials to South Milford Methodist Church.

LAGRANGE — **Wesley Dean Sutton,** 39, of LaGrange, died Thursday. Calling Sunday after 3 p.m. at Church of the True God, South Milford. Memorial service at 7 p.m. Sunday at the church. Funeral services Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the church. Burial in South Milford Cemetery, South Milford. Arrangements by Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville.

The Evening Star, Mon., Dec. 28, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Martha Friedel

AUBURN — Martha "Jeannie" Friedel, 65, of Auburn, died Saturday at 3:25 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was employed as a certified nurse's aide at Wesley Health Care Center in Auburn.

Mrs. Friedel was born in Butler on Dec. 22, 1933, to Walter Paul Krontz and Pauline Helen (Beckwith) Krontz.

She married Paul John Friedel on Feb. 4, 1955, in Edgerton, Ohio. He preceded her in death on May 13, 1981.

Survivors include her father in Burlington, Mich.; a son, Jeremy of Auburn; three daughters, Bonnie R. Friedel of Auburn and Paula J. Friedel and Penny R. Nichols, both of Fort Wayne; three brothers, Walter P. Krontz Jr., Roger Krontz and James Krontz, all of Michigan; six sisters, Mary Wheeler and Joyce Thomas, both of Butler, Shirley Bassett of Newville, Debra Hicks of Florida, Laura Lee Strong of Angola and Patricia Smith of Fremont; and eight grandchildren.

One daughter, Sherry D. Friedel, preceded her in death on July 16, 1993. Her mother and one brother, Robert Krontz, also preceded her in death.

Friends may call Tuesday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler.

Services will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with the Rev. Paul Patton, pastor of the Butler Church of the Nazarene, officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Wymond J. Hoyer

ANGOLA — Wymond J. Hoyer Jr., 71, of Angola, died Thursday, Christmas Eve, in his home.

Mr. Hoyer was a farmer and a maintenance machinist for Moore Business Forms in Angola. He was a member of Fairview Missionary Church and a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. He raised Belgian draft horses.

He was born in Steuben County on Feb. 26, 1927, to the late Wymond and Pauline (Shumaker) Hoyer.

On Oct. 4, 1946, he married Mary Clay, who survives in Angola.

Also surviving are two sons, Kerry Hoyer of Pleasant Lake and Kim Hoyer of Angola; four daughters, Jolynn Foulk of Pleasant Lake, Debra Sherman of Angola, Susan Ross of Auburn and Glenda Hoyer of Angola; a brother, Rex Hoyer of Crystal River, Fla.; three sisters, Dorothy McCormick of Angola, Barbara Sams of Hudson and Patricia Perkins of Stroh; 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Weicht Funeral Home in Angola today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Services will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home, with the Rev. Norman Fuller officiating. Burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to Fairview Missionary Church and Cameron Hospice.

Arthur Deal

AUBURN — Arthur E. Deal, 60, died Sunday at 11:45 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital at Fort Wayne.

Mr. Deal worked at Auburn Foundry and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn. He lived in rural Auburn.

He was born Aug. 11, 1938, in Garrett to Walter and Ida (Murphy) Deal, both now deceased.

He married Sandra Dilgard on July 2, 1972, in the Garrett Church of Christ. She survives.

Also surviving are two sisters, Betty Donaldson of Edgerton, Ohio, and Lily Hildebrandt of Auburn.

One sister, Violet Refner, preceded him in death.

There will be no services or calling. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Feller Funeral Home of Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

David B. Hamman

GARRETT — David B. Hamman, 48, of Garrett, died Thursday, Christmas Eve, in an automobile accident on Shoaff Road, between Hand and Hilger roads in Allen County.

Mr. Hamman worked 30 years as a laborer at Uniroyal Goodrich.

He was born Nov. 9, 1950, in South Whitley. His father, Samuel Hamman Jr., preceded him in death. His mother, Joan E. (Slater) Hamman Cox, survives in Warsaw.

Also surviving are two daughters, Miranda L. Hamman and Ashley M. Hamman, both of Auburn; three brothers, Jeffrey C. of Leesburg, Paul D. of South Whitley and Chad L. of DeLand, Fla.; and one sister, Melinda S. Walters of Wabash.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 at McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Ron Ruteman, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Warsaw, will officiate. Burial will be in South Whitley Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Arthritis Foundation.

Mary Goebel

GARRETT — Mary Maxine Goebel, 72, died Friday, Christmas Day, at 4:12 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor nursing home.

Mrs. Goebel worked as an inspector at Cooper Engineered Products in Auburn for 23 years, retiring in 1988. She lived on South Taylor Road in Garrett.

She was born June 6, 1926, in Kendallville to Clarence and Marie (Sampsel) Snyder.

She married Robert W. Goebel on Nov. 26, 1947, in Florida. He survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Mark of Auburn, Dennis of Garrett, and Chuck of Colorado; two daughters, Pam Woods of Garrett and Cerinda Brinker of Avilla; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Henry Snyder of Garrett and Willliam Snyder of Greensboro, N.C.

Her parents and one grandchild preceded her in death..

Services were conducted today at 1:30 p.m. in Thomas Funeral Home of Garrett. Lloyd Mealer officiated. Burial was in Embrey Cemetery of Garrett.

Friends called Sunday at the funeral home.

403

Evening Star, Mon. Dec. 28, 1998 (cont'd)

Tracy K. Lamper

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Tracy K. Lamper, 30, died Friday, Christmas Day, at 10:25 p.m. in her home on East Smith Street in Hicksville.

Miss Lamper graduated from Hicksville High School in 1987. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville.

She was born Feb. 9, 1968, in Coldwater, Mich., to Richard and Carol (Lothamer) Lamper, who survive.

Also surviving is one brother, Stacy Lamper of Hicksville.

A funeral mass was conducted today at 10:30 a.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church with the Rev. Tom Oedy officiating. Burial was in the Forest Home Cemetery of Hicksville.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice-The Caring Way of Defiance County.

Arrangements were made by Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, where friends called Sunday and this morning and a prayer service took place Sunday night.

Eleanor Carson

ANGOLA — Eleanor Carson, 81, of Angola, died Friday, Christmas Day, at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Carson was a homemaker and had lived in the Steuben County area since 1950. She was a member of the American Red Cross and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Steuben County. She was a quilter and an avid gardener.

She was born Oct. 29, 1917, in Chicago to George and Rose (Jirkovsky) Lempera.

She married Robert D. Carson on Oct. 12, 1940, in Chicago. He survives in Angola.

Also surviving are a son, John W. of Eugene, Ore.; a daughter, Sue E. Cooley of Aztec, N.M.; a sister, Gladys G. Mathder of Folsom, Calif.; one grandchild, William T. Grant of Angola; and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday from 3-7 p.m. in Weicht Funeral Home, 207 N. West St., Angola.

Services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Weicht Funeral Home. The Rev. Raymond W. Miller of Fairview Missionary Church, Angola, will officiate. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery in Steuben County.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross and Steuben County Heart Association.

McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home in Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Area Deaths

ALBION — **Loretta Florence Wetzel**, 71, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, Columbia City, with calling there 2-9 p.m. Tuesday.

CHURUBUSCO — **Milo E. Stump**, 69, died Sunday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

CHURUBUSCO — **Floretta M. Walker**, 85, died Saturday. Services at 6 p.m. Thursday in LaOtto Wesleyan Church. Calling 4-8 p.m. Wednesday in Orr Funeral Home, Churubusco.

COLUMBIA CITY — **Lucille Berniece Brunner**, 91, died Friday. Graveside services were Sunday.

LAGRANGE — **Elsie M. Reinhart**, 80, died Friday. Services were today in LaGrange.

LAGRANGE — **Frazier E. Nelson**, 76, died Saturday. Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with calling there 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

LIGONIER — **Celia M. Pena**, 67, died Friday at 9:55 a.m. Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Templo Betel Church, Diamond Lake Road, Ligonier. Calling 1-3 and 5-7 p.m. today with a service at 7 p.m.

464

The Evening Star, Tues., Dec. 29, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Richard Kimmel

NEW HAVEN — Richard R. Kimmel, 61, died Sunday in Parkview Hospital at Fort Wayne.

Mr. Kimmel was born Jan. 17, 1937, in St. Joe. He was a mill worker for E.M.P. Co-op and formerly Keller Grain. He was a member of the Colony Heights Church of Christ and a resident of Monroeville for 29 years.

Survivors include his wife, Delores, in Monroeville; one son, Timothy A. of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Debra J. Hiatt of Roanoke and Tina M. Kimmel of Monroeville; four brothers, Clifford of Hicksville, Ohio, Carl of Butler, and Wayne and David, both of Auburn; one sister, Glenda Eck of Butler, and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Robert, and one sister, Esther Myers.

Friends may call at E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 Indiana 930 E., New Haven, Wednesday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. and Thursday from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

His funeral service will begin at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Heart Fund or Colony Heights Church of Christ.

David Hamman

OAKLEY, Calif. — David Bruce Hamman, 61, died Saturday at 12:45 p.m. at his home in Oakley, Calif.

Mr. Hamman worked as a self-employed construction contractor for 38 years He was the president and owner of D. Hamman Construction Inc., specializing in concrete form work.

He had been a resident of Oakley for 12 years. He was a graduate of Ashley High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a member of the Contra Costa Builders Exchange, a member of the Carpenters Union for 38 years and a member of Operating Engineers Local 3 for 20 years.

His wife said he battled cancer with the same energy and enthusiasm that he used running projects.

He was born April 8, 1937, near the family farm in Waterloo, to Lester Eli and Viola Elizabeth (Royal) Hamman. His mother survives in Waterloo.

He also is survived by his wife of 36, Sonia Ann (Tarney) Hamman, of Oakley, Calif.; three brothers, Donald of Waterloo, Alvin of Eloy, Ariz., and Raymond of Edgerton, Ohio; and a sister, Josefa of Glendale, Ore.

Graveside services will take place Saturday at 3 p.m. in St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery, in rural Waterloo. Father David Carkenord will officiate. Feller Funeral Home of Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Michael's Catholic Church of Waterloo or the St. Anthony's Church Building Fund in Oakley, Calif.

Area Deaths

AVILLA — **Sylvia M. Myer**, 74, died Monday. Services at 2 p.m. Friday in the Provena Sacred Heart Home chapel, with calling an hour before services.

The Evening Star, Wed., Dec. 30, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Lucille Mullins

STROH — Lucille Mullins, 72, of Stroh, died at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hutchins Funeral Home in Wolcottville.

4Cl

The Evening Star, Thurs., Dec. 31, 1998

Deaths/Funerals

Donald Cook

ANGOLA — Donald E. Cook, 83, of Angola, died Wednesday in Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Cook was plant superintendent for the Weatherhead Division of Dana Corp. in Angola, retiring in 1978 after 32 years of service.

A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, he was a member of the Elks, Moose, American Legion and VFW in Angola, as well as the Columbia City Masonic Lodge.

He was born Dec. 28, 1915, in Akron, Ind., to the late Elva and May (Nellans) Cook.

He is survived by his wife, Marj Cook of Angola, a son, Ron Cook of Indianapolis, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Jan. 10 in the Angola Elks Lodge. Klink Funeral Home of Angola is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Breeden YMCA and Learning Center or the organization of the

Lucille Mullins

STROH — Lucille Mullins, 72, of Stroh, died at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Perry County, Kentucky, March 13, 1926, to Hugh and Elvie (Wilson) Simmons. She married Jack Mullins who preceded her in death July 4, 1978.

Mrs. Mullins had lived in this community 46 years. She retired after 20 years from Essex Wire in Ligonier.

Surviving are two daughters and a son-in-law, Jackie and Skip Rowlison of Stroh, and Mary Mullins of Stroh; two sons and daughters-in-law, David and Trudy Mullins of Stroh, and Danny and Audrey Mullins of LaGrange; three sisters, Roberta Gilbreath of Springfield, Mo., Margie Blanton of Lexington, Ky., and Grace Kramer of Lexington, Ky.; two brothers, Hugh David Simmons of Massachusetts, and Harold Simmons of Marrow, Ohio; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, with the Rev. Mike Hamm of the Stroh Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to School of Opportunity ARC of LaGrange.

Area Deaths

LIGONIER — **Mildred N. Vale**, 86, died Tuesday. Graveside services at 10 a.m. Saturday in Sparta Cemetery, Kimmell. No calling.

The HF Group
Indiana Plant
TEA 105061 G 1 00
8/17/2007

ECKHART PUBLIC LIBRARY
8401 9100 160 375 5